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SUCCESSOR TO TITO?



It has been reported that Soviet Prime Minister Stalin has ordered the stage set for a coup d'état in Yugoslavia and is understood to have designated as successor to Tito, if the coup succeeds, Col. Gen. Peko Dapcevic (above), now believed to be in Moscow.—AP Picture.

Tito's Life In Danger

London, Aug. 29.—Mr. Clare Hollingworth, correspondent of "Observer" who recently returned from Belgrade, wrote today that few people in the Yugoslav capital appear to doubt "there will be a series of attempts on Marshal Tito's life."

Under the headline "Tito's Fight For Life," Mr. Hollingworth writes that "while Marshal Tito lives, Russia will find it hard to subdue him by any means short of war. Everything depends on Tito's life." Mr. Hollingworth wrote that in his opinion, Marshal Tito's "unshakable resolve to keep his hold on the army" against Russia's desire to make it an auxiliary force of the Red army, was the basic reason for the split. He described that the secondary reason was Marshal Tito's view that Communism was a flexible instrument rather than a "rigid and unyielding code" to be (Continued on Page 5)

EDITORIAL

Govt. Silence On Policy

THERE is no need to apologise for alluding yet again to Government's shortcomings in the field of public information. They are sufficiently notorious to justify constant comment. In those countries, states, counties, cities, towns and villages where government is by representation, it is an accepted procedure to make regular official statements regarding policy in relation to matters and actions of general public interest and welfare. In Hongkong the last thing Government ever thinks of doing is to give the slightest indication of its policy; in fact the public, no less than the press, are often suspects that Government has no policy. The official determination to behave like an oyster when the subject of long or short-term policy is mentioned is more than passing strange in view of the Imperial Government's firmly established system of taking the public more and more into its confidence both as far as domestic and foreign policies are concerned. The Public Relations Officers attached to practically every department spend much time producing statements explaining policies and intentions as they do preparing propaganda releases detailing "experimental accomplishments." And should a policy line demand a higher level of publicity, Ministers are only too eager to get up in the House of Commons and explain principles and programmes. Seldom, if ever, does any member of Legislative Council in Hongkong request a Government statement on policy. The habit has been developed of allowing Government to pursue whatever course it has chosen and then mildly to criticise when it is too

RAMADIER REFUSES TO FORM NEW GOVT.

Schuman Invited To Solve French Crisis

Paris, Aug. 29.—M. Paul Ramadier, a former Socialist Premier, who had been asked by M. Vincent Auriol, the President of the Republic, to form a new Government, tonight refused the Presidential invitation, the French news agency reported.

M. Robert Schuman, the Popular Republican, was asked by the President to accept the task of forming a Government to replace the month-old Coalition Cabinet of M. Andre Marie, which fell early yesterday, the agency added.

Leaderless France was earlier today waiting to see whether M. Ramadier would accept President Auriol's request. M. Ramadier, to whom the President offered the Premiership this morning, said that he would give his answer at 6.00 p.m. BST today after consultations with his Socialist colleagues and with other party leaders.

He was given an even chance of getting enough support from the other parties to succeed. He saw M. Marie, the outgoing Radical Premier, and among M. Ramadier's other callers at the Ministry of the Interior were M. Leon Blum, veteran Socialist leader, M. Rene Mayer, the outgoing Radical Minister of National Defence, M. Francois Menthon, President of the Popular Republican group in the National Assembly, M. Claudius Petit, President of the Democratic Socialist and Resistance group, M. Gabriel Cudene, President of the Radical group, and M. Leon Jouhaux, now General Secretary of the Force Ouvriere trade unions.

STERN MEASURES NEEDED
Meanwhile, it was learned that M. Auriol had left the Elysee Palace for Rambouillet, his summer residence.

M. Ramadier earlier today declared: "Stern financial and economic measures must be taken. Their burden must fall equally on all the elements of the nation."

"The Government must be assured of lasting a certain time. I estimate that the new Government must remain in power until June 30, 1949, when it will be able to draw up a balance of the situation. "What we need is not a Coalition Government but a Government of action, prepared to make all the necessary sacrifices."

Political observers inferred that he intended to try to form a Coalition—excluding the Communists—

with a drastic economic programme; or, if the other parties would not agree, to form an all-Socialist Government. It was generally believed that he would find it difficult to obtain the other parties' support, and even more difficult to obtain the necessary 311-vote majority in the Assembly.

Radicals, Moderates, and even Popular Republicans blame the Socialists for the fall of the last two Governments. Should M. Ramadier refuse to form a Cabinet, it is considered likely that President Auriol will call on M. Schuman.

The first crisis was the downfall of M. Schuman's Government in July, when the Socialists withdrew themselves from the Government of the military budget, which they wanted to cut more drastically than M. Schuman. The second was the downfall of M. Marie's Government early yesterday.—Reuter.

Rising Living Costs Worry TUC

London, Aug. 29.—A red-hot battle over Britain's rise in living costs is likely to be waged at the 18th Trades Union Congress opening on September 6 at the seaside town of Margate.

The number and tone of the resolutions on the agenda indicate the heavy and growing resentment at the results of the Government's six-month old policy of freezing wages and prices.

Nine resolutions protesting at the mounting prices are down for debate, and one—put forward by the National Union of Vehicle Builders—bluntly asks Congress to tell the Government it no longer supports its policy because that support was dependent on some reduction of prices and a curbing of bigger profits.

"PROFOUND CONCERN"
Expressing "profound concern" at the prices "which are the cause of a serious decline in working-class living standards," one resolution urges the removal of the purchase tax from a wide range of consumer goods.

The Electrical Trades Union also calls for a decrease in indirect taxation and demands more rigid control of prices by extending price control to unrationed and uncontrolled commodities.

Altogether 88 resolutions, on subjects ranging from industrial disputes to trade with Russia, will come before the 800 men and women representing nearly 8,000,000 workers who attend the Conference. They will provoke about 200 speeches in the five days the Congress lasts.

Resolutions calling for more trade union control of the nationalised industries will conflict with the General Council's report which dismisses the idea of unions and managements sitting together as a danger to trade union independence.—Reuter.

STRIKE AGAINST RENT INCREASES

Bristol, Aug. 29.—Seventeen thousand tenants of the Town Council's flats here have started a strike against rent increases of 12/6 a week. At a meeting, the strikers stressed that the Council is raising the rents higher than private landlords.—Reuter.

Persona Non Grata



The United States has demanded that Russia recall Consul-General Jacob I. Lomakin (above) from his post because of his conduct in the Soviet refugee teacher case in New York. The demand was made in a strongly worded note which the State department published after sending it to the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

Off To Kremlin Again

Moscow, Aug. 29.—The three Western envoys in Moscow will probably meet Mr. V. M. Molotov tomorrow in what might be one of the most important sessions in the present talks on Germany.

Developments in Moscow today were the reception of an important telegram from one of the Western capitals.

A full dress 45-minute meeting of the three Western envoys was held at the United States Embassy, when it was decided to request for another conference with V. M. Molotov.

If the customary procedure is followed the meeting will probably be arranged for tomorrow. There is a good possibility the agreement will be reached.—Associated Press.

TWO-HOURS' CONFAB

Moscow, Aug. 29.—The United States Ambassador, General Walter Bedell Smith, the French Ambassador, Mr. Yves Chataignier, and the British special envoy, Mr. Frank Roberts, met for nearly two hours in Mr. Smith's office early today. The three Western spokesmen were believed to be awaiting a call from the Kremlin for another conference with Soviet leaders.

(Informed sources in London said the long-awaited communiqué is being delayed by "technical changes" apparently being made in Moscow. They predicted that a meeting in Berlin of the four military governors in Germany would be one of the first results of the announcement.)

No statement was issued on the conference of the three Western envoys. It was generally believed, however, that they met to discuss details of the communiqué and possible effects of the fall of the French Government on the Moscow talks.

An American spokesman, asked whether the communiqué would be issued today, said: "I don't know." Yesterday the same spokesman said that no statement was expected immediately.

NORMAL CONTACTS

Mrs. Srimati Pandit, Indian Ambassador to Moscow, denied reports that the British Dominion representatives here are being informed in detail on the progress of the four power conference.

Mrs. Pandit said that Mr. Roberts was "maintaining normally close contact" with envoys from Canada, New Zealand, Australia and India, but that they had been given only the "broadest general information" about top secret negotiations.—Reuter.

Troops & Police Search Johore For Terrorists

COMMUNISTS ATTEMPTING TO SEIZE TRADE UNIONS

Singapore, Aug. 29.—A large force of Singapore police, Gurkhas and Inniskilling Fusiliers today "swept" the Pontian Peninsula, Johore State, 10 miles west of Singapore Island, following reports of terrorists training there.

An Army spokesman said the sweep was a precaution against the spread of terrorism to the island. Johore State is under the military command of Singapore, it was announced yesterday.

An Auster spotting plane and Spitfires patrolled overhead while the police landed on the Peninsula from the sea. Gurkha units sealed the outlets and the Fusiliers combed the area. No terrorists were contacted, but several Chinese were detained for questioning.

An attempt to organise a Communist underground movement among trade unionists has been discovered in Perak, Malaya's richest tin producing State, it was reported from Ipoh.

Thirty-year-old Fong Cheon-loy, Chairman of the now illegal Communist dominated Perak Federation of Trade Unions, has issued a manifesto declaring that the Federation had not been dissolved, and that its members were to give their active support to the Malayan Communist Party, contributing supplies, funds and intelligence.

Fong said that mission was "to destroy the British Fascist imperialism and to establish self-government for Malaya."

"The strength of the Malayan racial emancipation lies in the labouring classes," the manifesto said. "Malayan trade unionism cannot be separated from this movement."

"Two roads lie before us. The one, surrender and appeasement, would be the road to slavery. The other, fighting for our lives, is the road to racial emancipation."

"The time has come for you to decide and advance."

MR MACDONALD ON TOUR

Fong would up his manifesto by declaring that "MacDonald will undoubtedly get a similar ending to Yamashita. General Temoyuko Yamashita, the Japanese General who took Singapore in February 1942, and the former Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese forces in the Philippines, was hanged in February, 1946, after being tried as a war criminal."

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Commissioner General in South East Asia, has been touring some of the trouble spots in Malaya.

Fong, one of the 12 wanted men for whom the Malayan Federation Government last week offered a reward totalling Sfr. \$120,000, was believed to have written his manifesto recently in his headquarters somewhere in Perak.—Reuter.

HINT TO COL GRAY

Singapore, Aug. 29.—The influential Straits Times in an editorial today declared that there was "uneasiness in Malaya that the control of Malaya affairs is passing into the hands of men who are newcomers to the country at a time when it faces its greatest peacetime crisis."

Referring to the rumoured appointment of Sir Henry Gurney, former Chief Secretary to the Palestine Government, as Malaya's High Commissioner, the Straits Times expressed satisfaction with the present acting High Commissioner, Sir Alec Newbould, who was a Malayan civil servant before the war.

"Many people in Malaya want no change," the paper added. Pointing out that another "ex-Palestine" Colonel W. N. Gray, former Inspector General of the Palestine police, had recently been appointed Malayan Police Commissioner and that 600 ex-Palestine police had been transferred to Malaya, the newspaper said that there were rumours that Colonel Gray's second-in-command would also be an "ex-Palestine."

Recent developments had disturbed the Malayan police and the newspaper urged Colonel Gray not to use his aggressive leadership against the terrorists but also sympathetically to handle the officers and men under him.—Reuter.

Madras Village Disturbance

Bombay, Aug. 29.—Armed reinforcements were being rushed tonight to Polampalli village, 60 miles from Bezwada, Madras Province, following a clash between Razakars (a Moslem military organisation) and the Madras police. It was officially learned. Reports stated that the Razakars were supported by Hyderabad troops. A despatch from Bangalore said the Mysore State Government has taken precautions to meet any emergency and in particular against possible gun-running and arms smuggling into Hyderabad from Mysore. Proprietors of hotels and lodging houses have been ordered to report to the police the arrival and departure of people coming into Mysore from Hyderabad and Pakistan, and guards have been posted at power houses, pumping stations and telephone exchanges.—Reuter.

But Can The Dream Come True?

EUROPEAN UNITY

London, Aug. 29.—The dream of European unity will—at least for a few fleeting days—assume concrete shape this week in the Swiss lakeside resort of Interlaken, when 250 members of European Parliaments assemble there to talk about a "Federal Constitution" for Europe.

Their aim is to urge on the nations of Europe the immediate convocation of a Constituent Assembly for Europe and to thrash out the principles of a European Constitution.

British leaders of the European Parliamentary Union, which is calling the Interlaken Congress, have explained that at the week's meeting each of the 17 Parliaments expected to be present would dispose of a number of votes corresponding to the millions of their national population. Thus Britain will have 48 votes, Italy 47, France 46, Belgium 45 and Switzerland 44.

INVITED COUNTRIES

All nations "living between the Pyrenees and the Iron curtain" will be represented, it was stated. Parliaments have been invited from Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Elze, France, Western Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey. All the 11 Parliaments of Western Germany as well as the Parliament of the Saar will be represented. At least two draft plans for a European Assembly will be ready (Continued on Page 5)

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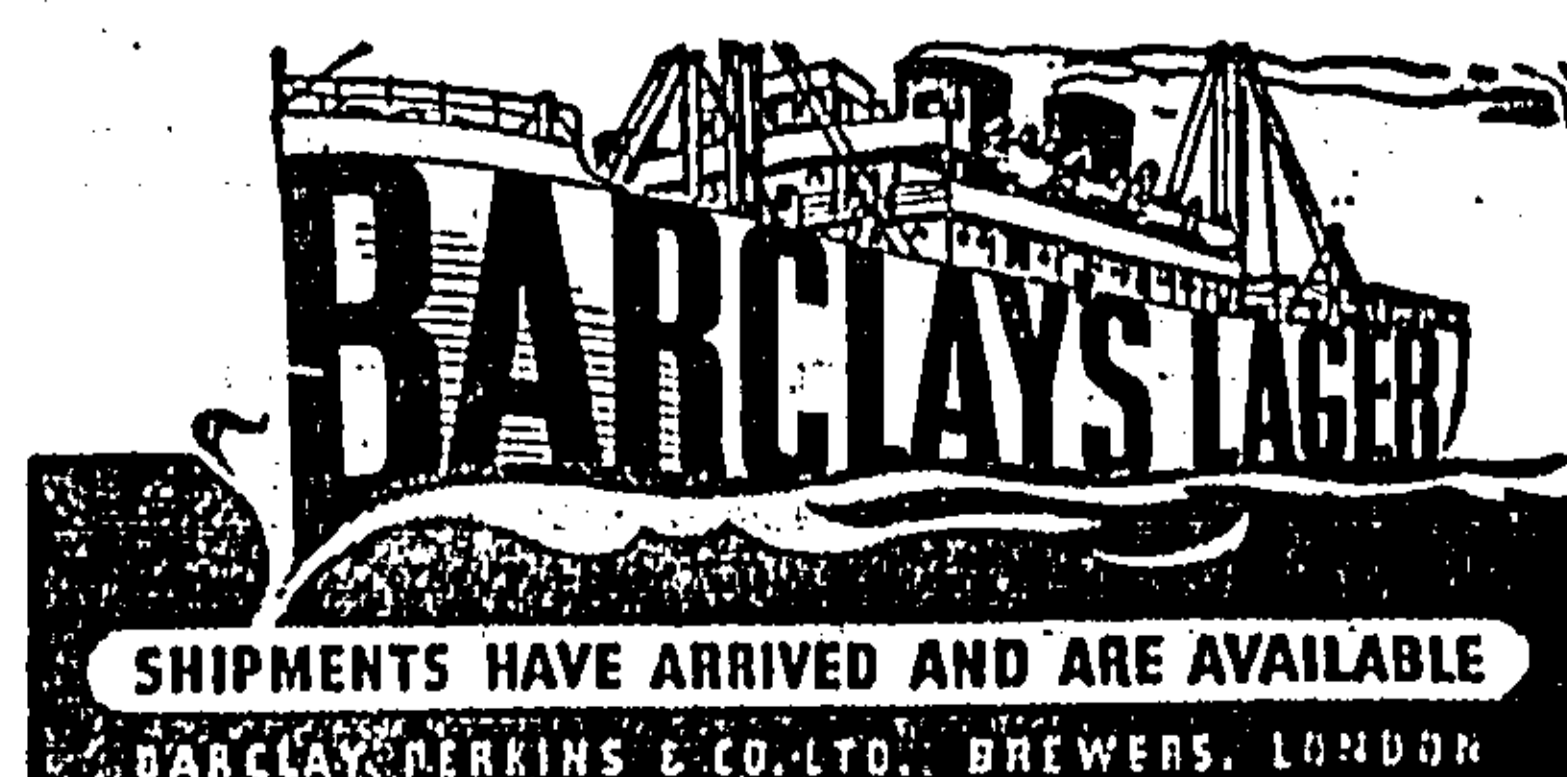
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Fashion-dictator Dior meets a challenge, but—

The New Look will live on



NEW LOOK
Dior clings to the line he made famous.
from PATRICIA LENNARD

PARIS.
As women came away from Christian Dior show—where they had seen the two-year-old "New" Look, with skirts six inches shorter—they were asking two questions:

Was it too soon to accept new styles seen at other Paris houses—the silhouette caught under the bust and again at the knee—or was this fashion a flash in the pan?

And who was the best "ideas" man or woman after Dior?

Paris is once again split into rival fashion factions—of those who say the New Look is doomed and those who say it will live on.

I predict that for at least six months to come British women will cling to the original New Look, even though Dior abolished his signature of the longer skirt, in this fashion.

No one has so far had the brilliance of a Dior in building a complete and beautiful collection around the new trend and, therefore, women have no safe guiding star in the fashion world this season but one interesting alternative.

MAIN trend is Directoire, which can be translated in its purest—and ugliest—form as clothes where the natural waist is emphasised as little as possible and the figure is caught in just under the bust and under the knees, so that there is a long line, almost a shapeless tunic, from rib to knees.

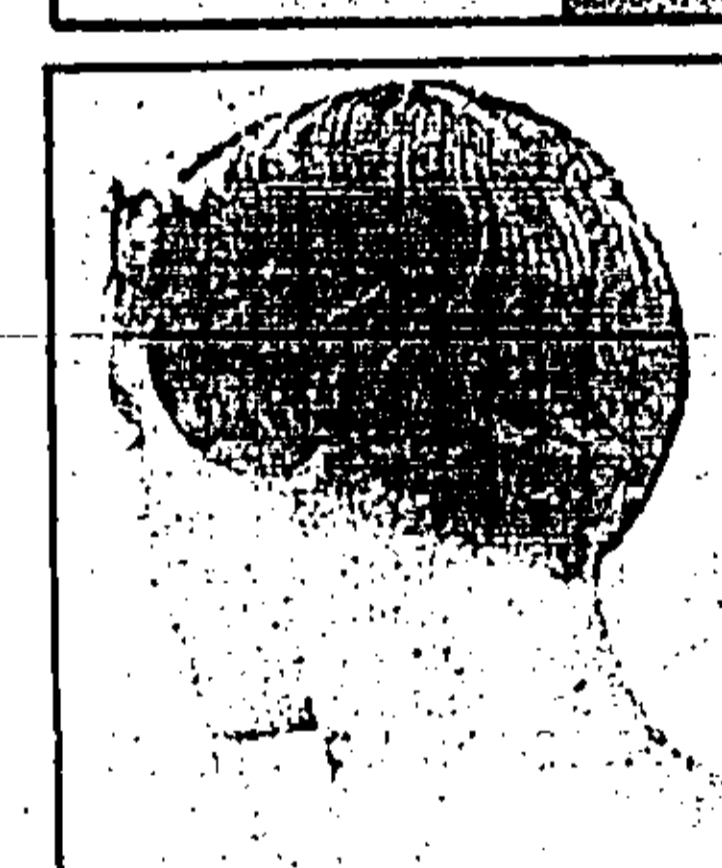


Tallest, slimmest of the mannequins at the Dior show was Britain's red-head Gaby Young.

In its extreme form, this gives a woman's body the shape of a Christmas cracker—especially as most of these straight up-and-down lines lower the hip line and hobble the knees, with a flare outwards to the skirt hem.

In its more subtle form, with the natural waist-line still well indented, British women will like a corset line just under the bust for perhaps an evening frock.

OLYMPIC CUT



This new hair-style is designed for the "fitting" hat. The back is cut short to give the "small head" effect, and in front Greek curls fall in tiers from crown to ear-tips. Daymond, who created it, calls it the Olympic cut.

Child Growth Setback A Factor in "Polio"

MINNEAPOLIS. — Children who have suffered temporary setbacks in growth are more susceptible to infantile paralysis than normal children, two University of Minnesota doctors believe.

Drs Neil N. Litman and James P. Bosma studied 133 St Paul youngsters stricken during the 1948 polio epidemic in Minnesota.

They found that two out of every three victims had experienced some type of growth failure during the preceding year.

The Litman-Bosma survey also indicated that children who are undersize and underweight are more susceptible to polio than normal children and that children in the stage just before puberty rarely contract the disease.

Note The Tang

When looking at the construction of a knife, note the tang, the part of the blade that extends down into the handle. This should extend at least a third of the way down and it should be fastened by at least two rivets.

Have a proper place for all kitchen and table cutlery. Just showing it into a drawer is first of all, a frequent cause of accidents, and serious ones at that. The best thing is to invest in a proper wall rack. There are self-honing models that are worth the extra cost. If a drawer is used, have a special cutlery drawer and have it divided into compartments or use one of the ready made compartment boxes, so that every type of knife is in its own place, and there is no need to fumble around amongst sharp edges and the blunt ones that are dangerous, too. Good cutlery deserves good care.

On Buying Cutlery

By ELEANOR ROSS

TAKE your time when purchasing cutlery for the home and don't be tempted by any so-called "bargains." We are told that really good cutlery, while it isn't exactly cheap, should be in good service for around twenty years, which makes it an excellent investment. Cheap, poorly constructed cutlery is a money-ender, since it hasn't a good cutting edge and so wastes food that has to be cut.

When buying cutlery, look for metal, grind, construction. There are three metals used for good household knife blades: carbon steel, high-carbon hardened and tempered stainless steel and chrome vanadium alloy steel.

The first is said to hold its edge better but it darkens and stains from food acids, which makes it difficult to keep clean. Professional chefs like it, which is all to the good, since hotels and restaurants have helped to keep the cutlery gleaming. High carbon steel is easy to clean, and in a good grade, holds its cutting edge very well. Chrome vanadium alloy steel is stain resisting and when chrome plated is practically stain and rust proof. It is a tough alloy and holds its edge well. To identify steels other than carbon, look for stamped or etched markings on the blade.

NEWEST LOOK

Dior's rivals bring in the "Christmas cracker" shape.

But since Dior first discovered the "womanly woman" two years ago, British women will not readily part with the emphatic busts, waists and hips of the New Look.

THE strict Directoire line of these new clothes sloops the shoulders and flattens the bust and hips. And it is surprising how "common" a skirt 15 or 16 inches from the ground now looks.

All these new details, plus the knee-to-hem flare from a hobble skirt, are, in addition, hard to wear and ageing in appearance.

They are too close to the styles of the 'twenties for the majority of women to wear them without feeling they are being a little ridiculous in wearing clothes they wore when growing up.

THE first, and perhaps only, detail of the Directoire trend that women in Britain will wear will be a corselet waist where the natural waist is well emphasised as well as featuring the higher waist-line under the bust.

And the man who started this trend? It is Balenciaga, of Paris, Spanish-born designer, whose lines have influenced fashion since before the war and who, six months ago, with London, Paris and New York a riot of New Look styles, showed a few clothes in his Spring collection with the higher waist line.

Dior's show was supposed to feature his new "winged line"—where cuffs and pockets and collars fly away from the body of the garment, and sleeves are cut in one with a shoulder yoke at the back. But main interest was the hem line.

He showed many short, 16in.-from-the-ground, skirted clothes. Chief impressions of the collection were casual boyish day clothes, lavishly embroidered after-six dresses and hobbled dinner dresses.

Treatment for Your Tresses



Daily brushing and a weekly shampoo give a lovely, lustrous look to movie star Evelyn Keyes' hair.

By HELEN FOLLETT

HATLESS days are here again! What more attractive picture can you imagine than a pretty girl with her tresses floating in the breeze? But do those same tresses need care? They do. Extra care. They pick up dust, they are burned by the sun. A shampoo once a week won't do a bit of harm. A rousing shampoo is, in itself, a kind of scalp treatment. When you launder your hair give the scalp a brisk friction before and after the shampoo agent is applied.

Beauticians urge the daily use of the hair brush. Nothing like it to bring out lustrous beauty of the silky shafts. We fear that many quakers after good looks neglect this necessary attention. Brushing won't weaken a good permanent. On the contrary, it will strengthen the wave lines.

Unless you give your hair the most fastidious care, you may be surprised to find, some fine morning, that your brain that looks sick. The shafts are dull of colour. They won't stay put when you arrange them. Ringlets go stringy. That is the time when you must come to the aid of your hair.

Keep scalp and hair beautifully clean. If you use a soap shampoo, see that every bit of the suds is rinsed away. You can't remove the lather without a strong current of water and a bath spray.

It is in the summer time that dry hair gets drier. If that is your pet peeve, apply a little brilliantine to the bristles of the brush and to the comb when you arrange your hair. This oily preparation will ward off the devastating effects of strong sunlight.

You may find an oil or cream shampoo convenient. These preparations are gaining in popularity because they work quickly and only one application is necessary. If you vote for soap and prefer it to oil, then have it melted. Rinse like everything. A vinegar rinse is a nice finishing touch. Three tablespoonfuls of vinegar to a washbowl of warm water. Pour it over your head repeatedly.

BOYS AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Shadows Meet a Magician

—And He Does Some Remarkable Tricks—

By MAX TRELL

WHEN Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-around names, went into the playroom, they found their friend Mr Punch talking to a strange little man. This little man was about as tall as a pencil and as thin as a string-bean. He wore shoes with turned-up points; and this was strangest of all: he wore black evening-clothes, a flowing black cape with a bright red lining, and a tall silk hat. He had dull black eyes and a mustache.

"This is Merlin," said Mr Punch. "He's a magician."

"Enchanted," said Merlin, taking his hat off his head and making a low sweeping bow to Knarf and Hanid.

Hanid thought he was a delightful little man.

Magic Tricks

Mr Punch said: "Merlin can do all sorts of magic tricks. Come and sit down beside me, dear, and Merlin will do some tricks for us."

"I'm a little tired today," Merlin said. "I was visiting a Princess this morning and she wanted me to make an oak tree grow out of an acorn. I told her it would take me forty or fifty years but she insisted I do it right away, before breakfast." "That's quite a hard job. Unfortunately," said Merlin with a sigh, "once the oak tree started growing, I couldn't get it to stop. It finally went through the ceiling into the King's bedroom."

"My goodness!" Hanid exclaimed.

"What happened?" asked Knarf.

"The King woke up to find himself sleeping in the branches of a tall tree that he had never seen before. When he found out I did it, he ordered me to chop it down. That's what got me so tired."

"Please do some tricks for us," Merlin, Hanid begged.

Merlin smiled and bowed again. "Very well," he said. Then he took



The tree grew right through the ceiling of the King's bedroom.

off his hat, twirled it around several times and muttered: "Presto, presto, Gobble-de-wook, Tristo-trasto, Cluckde the clock."

At that all the books on the bookshelf on the other side of the room suddenly sprang wide open and out jumped all sorts of people and creatures.

Astonished Gasp

Knarf and Hanid gasped with astonishment. They recognised Old Mother Goose riding on a broomstick. They saw Alice out of Wonderland, and Cinderella, and the Lion and the Mouse, and Little Miss Muffet, and the Three Bears, and all the animals from Noah's Ark, and Simple Simon, and Hans Brinker with his silver skates, and King Arthur and all the Knights of the Round Table.

"Let's catch them!" cried Knarf as he and Hanid darted off Mr Punch's chair. But all the creatures and all the people scattered like specks of dust, up the walls, and under the rug, and back into the books.

They heard Merlin's voice shouting: "Shut! The books all snapped shut. Then there was a puff of black smoke.

And when they looked for Merlin again, he was gone, too.

KITCHENETTE

CEREAL COOKIES

Cooking, a little lady says, is fun and she has tried a simple recipe that can be made with anyone's favourite breakfast cereal. A dry, prepared cereal, such as corn flakes, which is thick or puffed grains would be best for this recipe.

"They are very easy to make and everyone just loves them," says Viola. "They are rich and crunchy." 2 seven-ounce packages of semi-sweet chocolate

5 cups of cereal
Melt the chocolate in a double boiler, stir in the cereal, mixing till it is well coated. Drop spoonfuls of the mixture on waxed paper and flatten with a fork. Keep in a cool place. This recipe makes about 20 cookies.

Parrot Knows 47 Words

A 35-year-old parrot belonging to a man in Nantucket, Mass., has a vocabulary of 47 words, having learned at least one new word, with occasional extras, each year of its life.

Rabbit Joins Family

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—Tabby, a mother cat, brought a stranger home from the nearby woods. Her four kittens are getting used to the newcomer in the family—a baby rabbit.

More Inmates For The Zoo

During a recent week, one baby squirrel, two baby robins, five little gray foxes and four baby rabbits with a nursing bottle were left on the doorstep of the superintendent of the Seneca Park Zoo in Rochester, N. Y.

Rupert & Ting-Ling—25



Finding a slender stick, Ting-Ling pushes it through the water and plants it at the edge of the bank with the open basket beside it. Then, sitting down, he plays a strange little tune on the bamboo whistle. To Rupert's amazement, the water at once begins to swirl, large fishes swim round in circles, then with one accord they all flip out of the water and straight into the basket. "Good gracious, you've got half a dozen big fishes, and all in two minutes!" cries Rupert. "It's marvellous!"

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Things Are Going Up

By Fred Harman



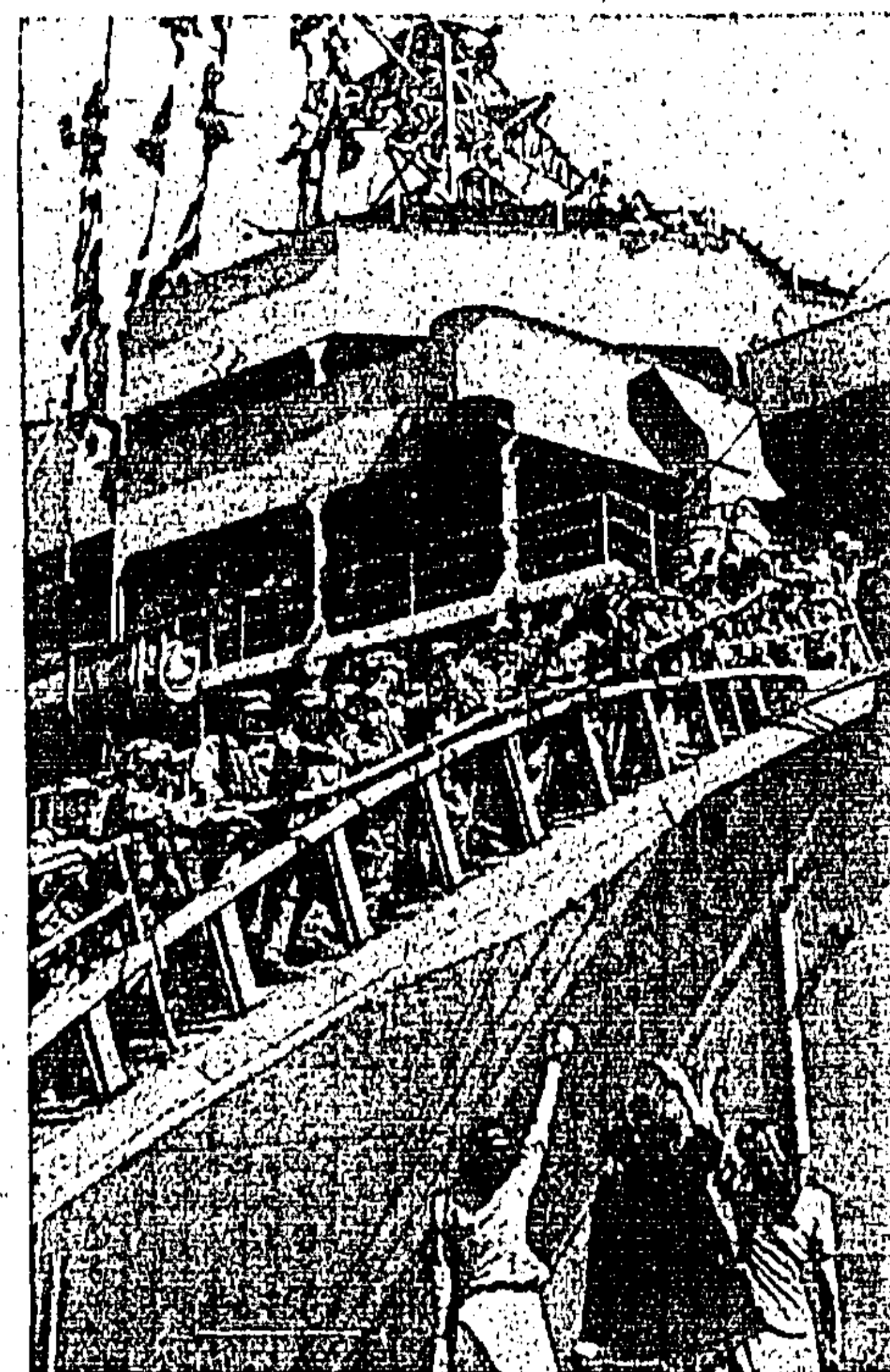
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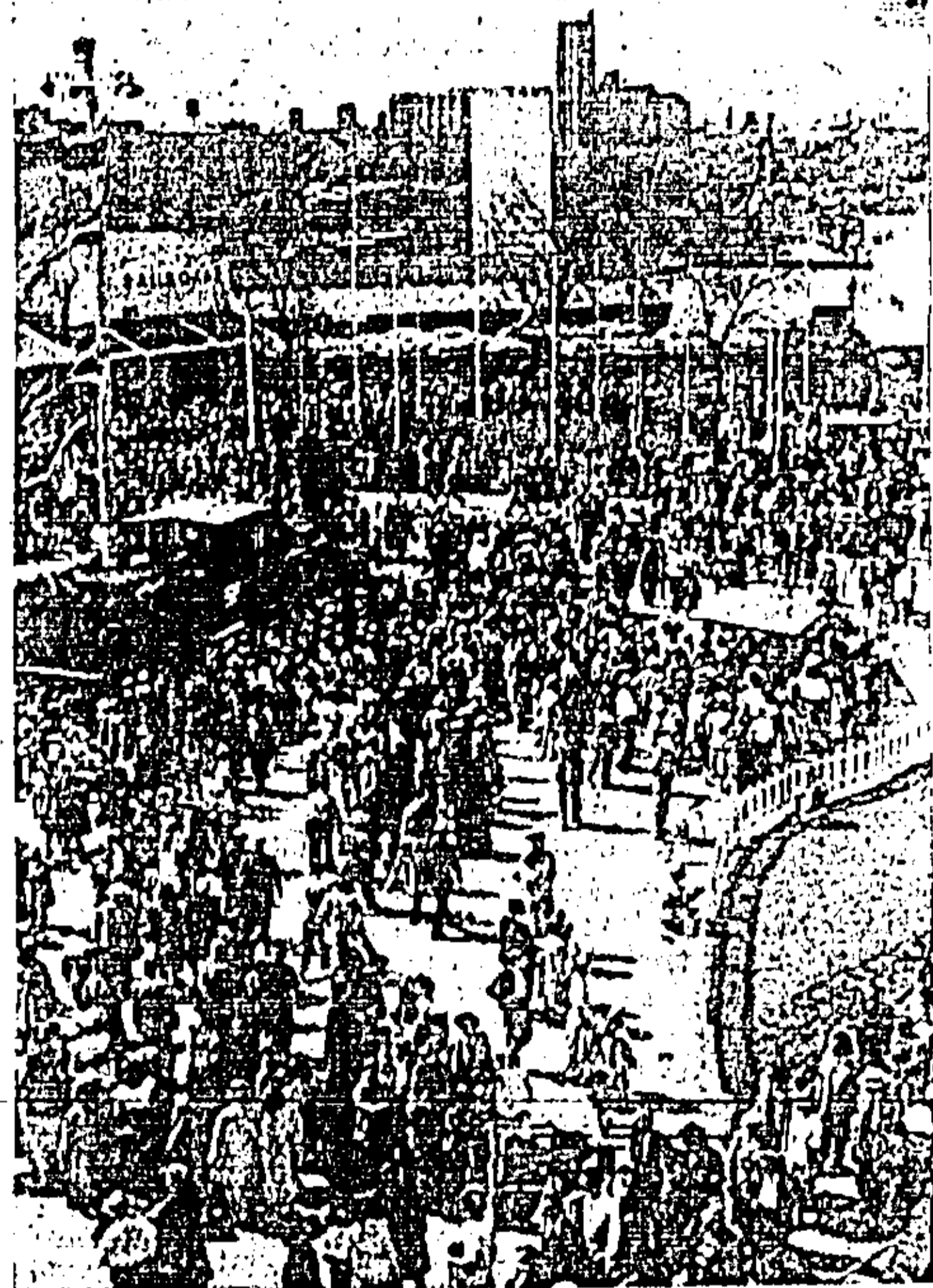
WATCH THE BALL—"Keep your eyes on the ball" is sound advice to athletes. But Vonnie Hoffman makes it difficult to heed that admonition as she frolics on the beach at Panama City, Florida.



RUNAWAY STREET CAR—Fifteen persons were injured when this Kansas City street car jumped the tracks, sideswiped a utility pole and careened a block downhill out of control after colliding with a cattle truck. The impact of the truck broke some of the pipes connected to the street car's air brakes. The brush with the pole ripped out an upper rear section of the car about five feet square and completely demolished the front section.



SHOVIN' OFF—Three girls wave bon voyage to these New York leathernecks boarding the USS Mt Olympus for two weeks' summer training. Departure of the group of 260 marked the sixth anniversary of the Marine landing at Guadalcanal.



STILL GOING STRONG—Crowds continue to pour into Chicago's Railroad Fair, completing its first month on display. Sponsored by American railways, the transportation show continues to draw thousands of Chicagoans and tourists daily.



COMPULSORY CLEAN-UP—"Too heartsick" over illness and family troubles, was the way William A. Cain (left) explained the three-foot pile of decayed food, tin cans and other trash piled up in his San Francisco room (right). A "heartless" health board ordered him to clean up the mess, threatening prosecution if he failed to comply.



THREE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES—President Truman, who is a candidate for re-election himself, congratulates the two candidates for presidency of the Girls' Nation, holding sessions in Washington under auspices of the American Legion. Lillian Wong is at left, Kennon Deithley at right.

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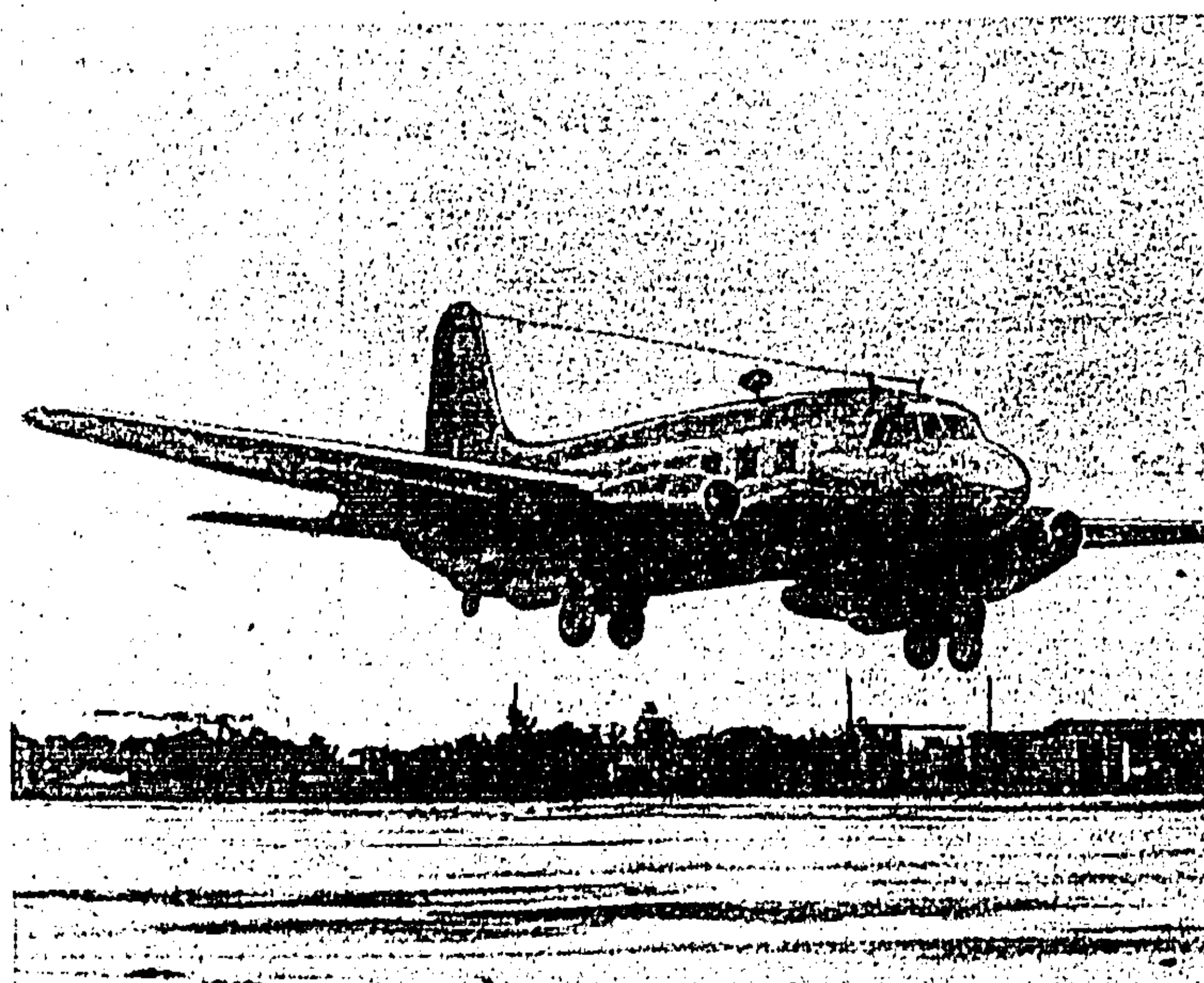
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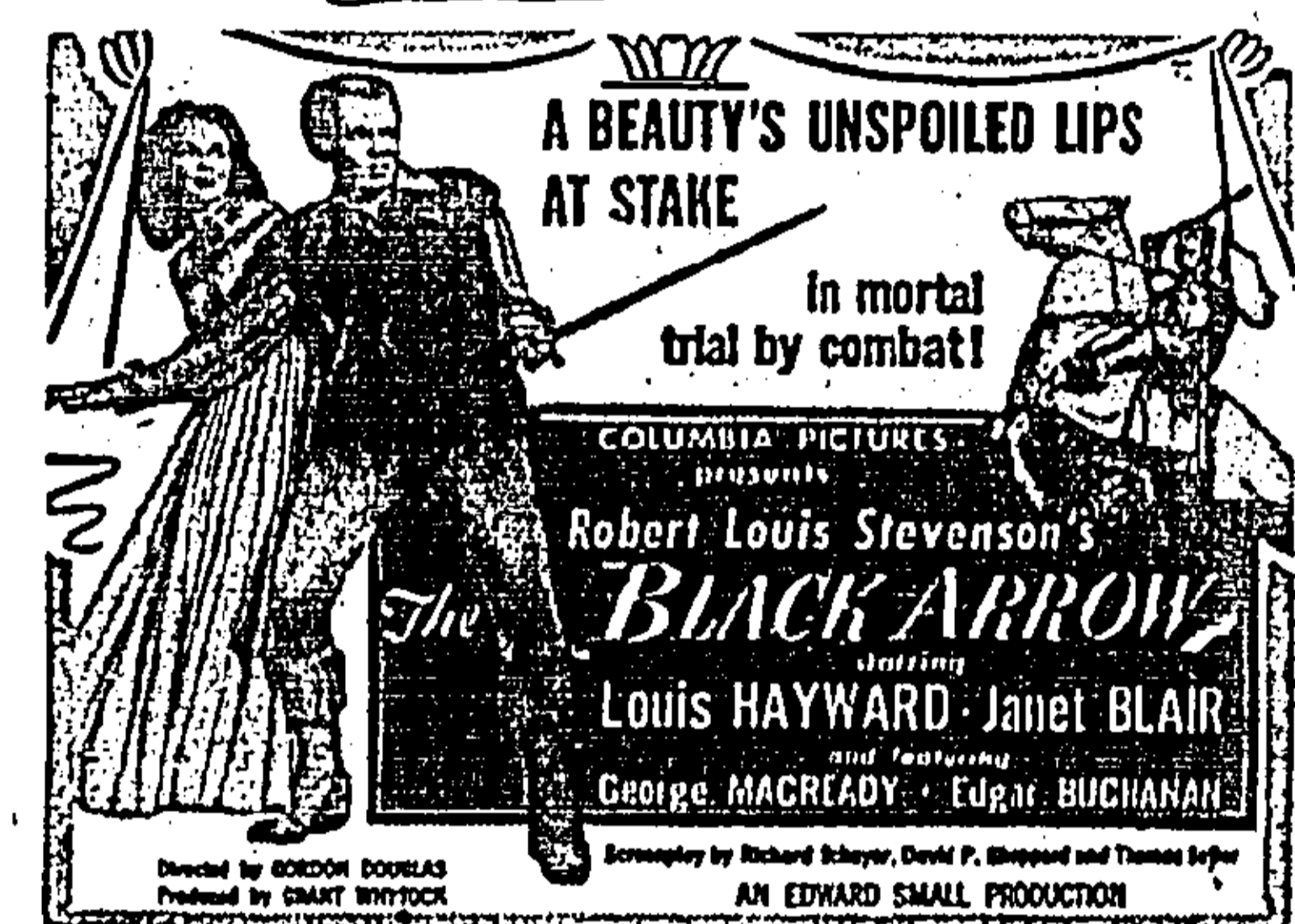
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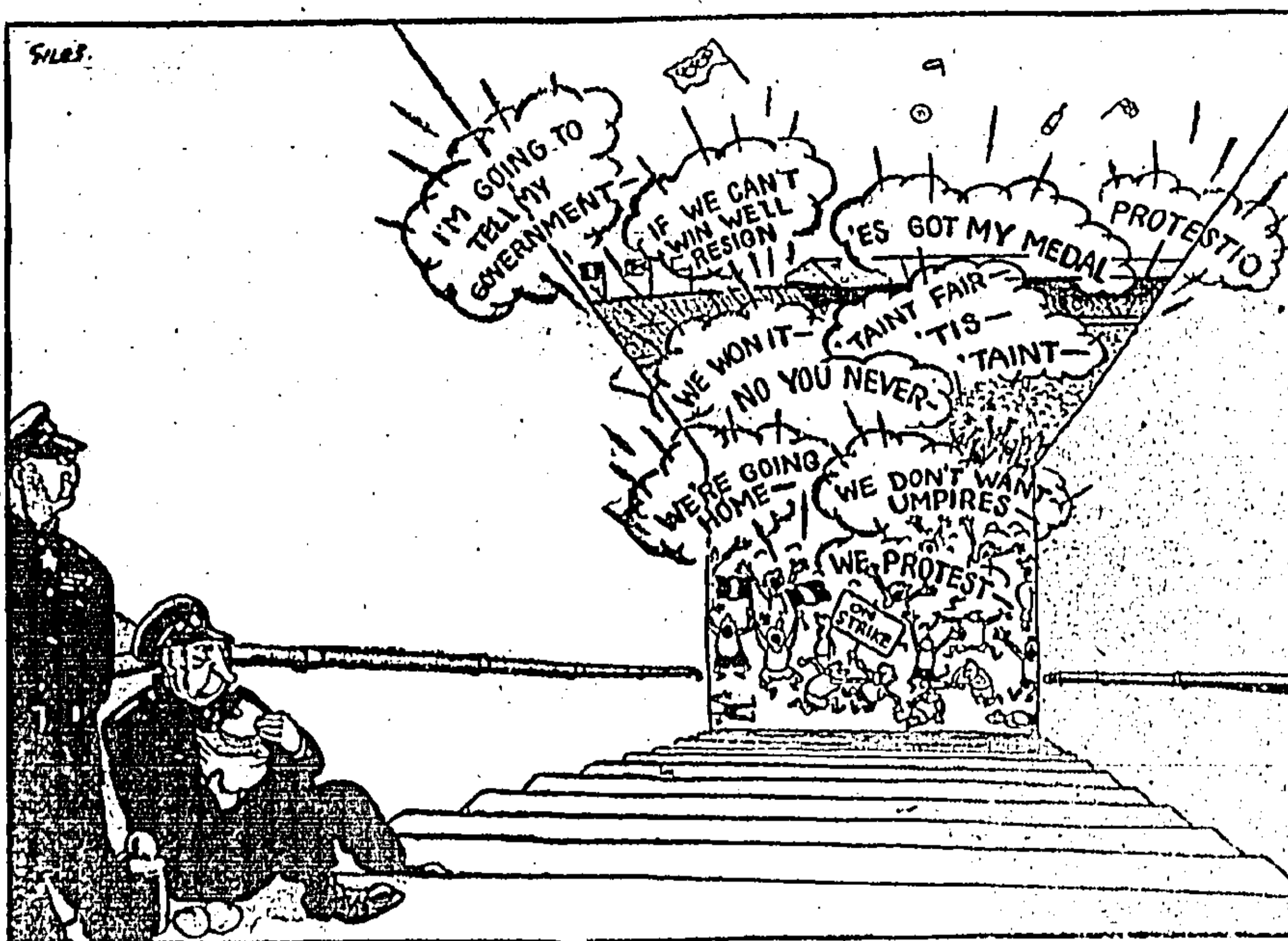
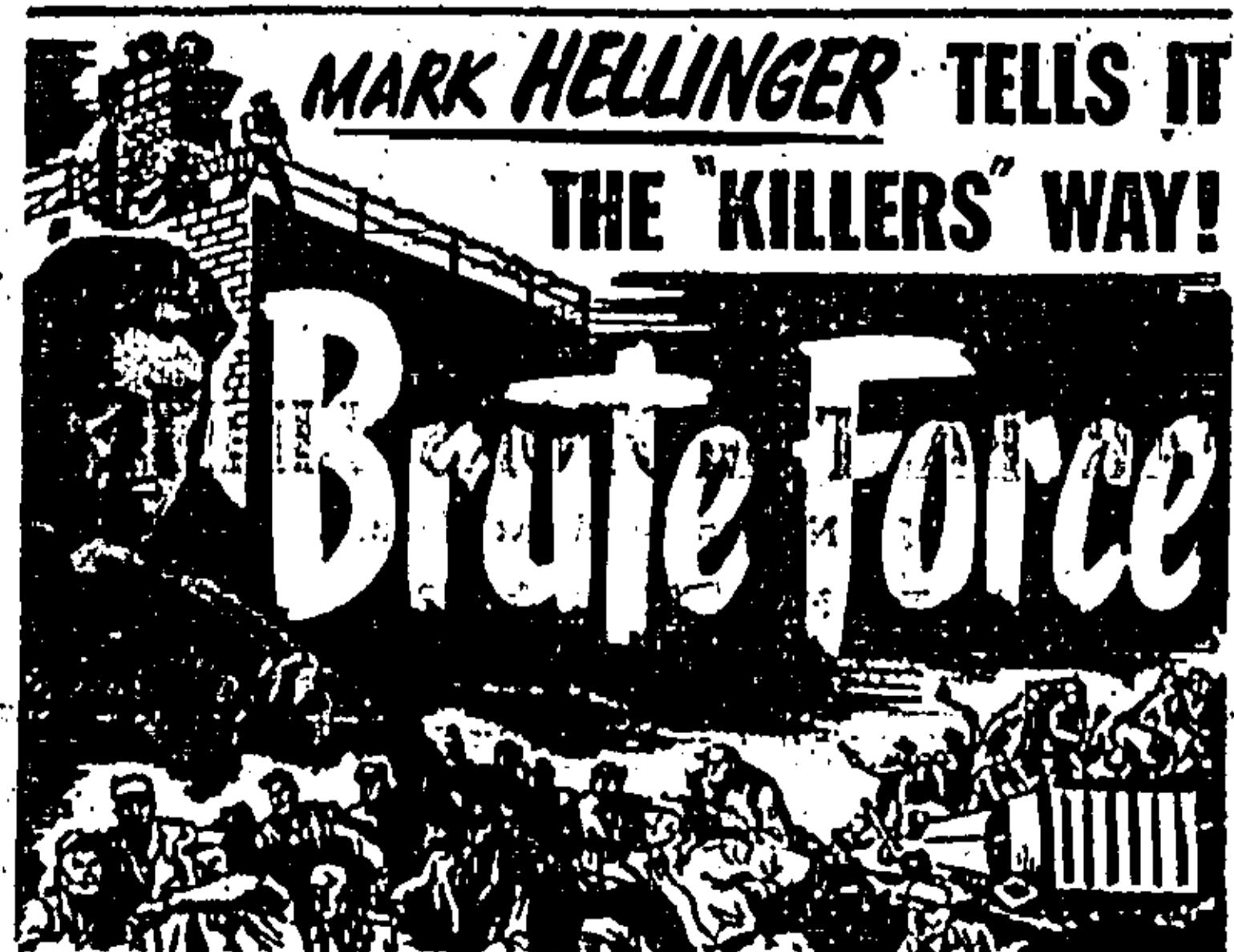
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"If they were kids you could smack all their behinds and send them to bed."

So Much To Sell, But No One To Buy

by GERALD SCHEFF

A BRITON in Belgium is liable to be stopped in the street and asked: "Why doesn't your Government let the tourists come here?"

Belgians are puzzled that Britons are allowed to spend £35 in the ex-enemy countries of Italy and Austria, and in Spain, but not a penny with the little Ally of two wars.

Yet Belgian shops are packed with British exports from toothpaste to typewriters.

All along this off-the-ration, over-the-counter coasting—three hours by boat away from Dover—there are shop-windows such as those in Britain have not seen for years.

There are millions of English cigarettes, mounds of whipped cream and tender steaks.

The streets are brilliantly lit, with American limousines and British cars everywhere—but there are no tourists.

Premier Spaak says he has done everything possible to persuade Sir Stafford Cripps to lift the British ban.

150,000 'out'

M. Camille Eliebout, president of the Belgian Seaside Hoteliers' Association, wrote Sir Stafford saying: "More than 150,000 hotel workers will be thrown out of work if something is not done."

Two final offers are being made to Britain—the first a £1,000,000 interest-free loan repayable in 20 years; the second the offer of an order for six merchant ships from British yards.

The proprietor of an Ostend hotel with 120 bedrooms has today two guests. He spent £30,000 on re-furnishing for an expected rush of British visitors.

Not a guest

A large hotel at Heyst is without a guest because its directors contracted to place all the rooms at the disposal of a British agency.

M. Gustave Neillins, controller of casinos at Knocke, Ostend and Chaudfontaine, told me that he has spent £250,000 in Ostend alone since the war.

For the casino at Knocke huge chandeliers and lugs lemon-coloured draperies were imported from Venice. Two new night clubs were opened, one a "champagne only."

Belgian hoteliers asked me: "Is it that Sir Stafford Cripps will not let your people come because he does not want them to see our prosperity and the quick way we recovered from the war as a result of the policy of incentives for the workers?"

Away from the seaside Belgium remains an oasis of well-being on a drab Continent.

In Brussels the women are better dressed than last year and the men just a shade more sleek and contented.

The Belgians laugh at stories that their wealth is derived from uranium found in the Congo. They attribute it to hard work and freedom for initiative.

High prices

This does not mean that Belgium is a paradise for all.

Employers talk of a coming crisis and complain of a crippling 18½ percent "social security" levy they must pay on top of wages. Workers grumble at the cost of living.

Prices are high. Butter is 4s. 7d. a lb., and a 2lb. loaf nearly 1s. In a food store prices for tinned foods are: Newfoundland lobster, 9s.; Hungarian chicken galantine 1s. 4½d.; a small tin; soups, 1s. smoked salmon, 4s. 3d.; Norwegian herring, 1s. 6d.

Cream pastries are 6d. each in the smallest cafe while a small but exotic layer cake may cost 12s. 6d.

6s. a lb. toffee

High-class shops on the Brussels boulevards display men's felt hats at £3 to £4 each; women's leather handbags from £5 to £20; lizard-skin shoes at £18 a pair; poplin shirts for £2.

Toilet articles from Britain are shockingly expensive, while our toffees are priced at 6s. a lb.

But nothing remains "sous le main"—the Belgian equivalent of "under-the-counter." Sugar is the only commodity still rationed, but it can be bought freely.

In general, Belgians pay less rent than people do in Britain. Their cigarettes are 1s. for 20, and beer is 7d. a glass.

'White Lady'

Before boarding the boat Prince Baudouin to go home I shared a mammoth icecream which the Belgians call "White Lady." Here is the recipe:—

4 pints of milk.
 1 pint of fresh cream
 ½lb sugar.
 10 eggs—yolks only.
 Vanilla.
 Hot chocolate sauce.

Now for the other side of the picture. Britain's Treasury is "sympathetic" towards the Belgian seaside hoteliers, but says that no way has yet been found of arranging tourism which would not cost Britain some of her slender gold reserves.

An official said: "A loan from Belgium would merely be putting off the evil day of repayment. The offer of an order for ships to be built in Britain is more acceptable, but the trouble is that our yards have big contracts on hand and there are long delays."

INTRODUCING—



—THE CHUTER SUIT

by VICTOR TODDINGTON

DECISION to give Britain's policemen a New Look is no passing whim of a police Christian Dior.

Every policeman in the country below the rank of inspector was invited to express his opinion, more than 98 per cent did so. Only 9.8 per cent wanted to keep the closed neck jacket. This is how the others voted:—

Open necked jacket all the year round—40.6 per cent.

Open neck in summer, closed in winter—40.6 per cent.

Already the London policeman is talking of his "Chuter suit." But it is likely to be 1950 before he wears it.

There are sufficient supplies at the Receiver's Stores at Lambeth to last another two years.

This is what the well-dressed London policeman will wear:—

Open-necked single-breasted jacket of Liverpool serge with stop collar, neck cuts taken out of gorge; five large chromium-plated buttons and holes on front; four small chromium-plated buttons and holes for shoulder straps and pocket flaps.

And the cost? A few shillings more than the old type of tunic, which varied between 57s. and 65s.

Round One to Reynaud . . . But now the gamble

PARIS, Aug. 16.
 I DON'T seem to be able to go the rounds of my parish these days without finding everything closed down the moment I get into a town.

In Istanbul last week-end the Orient Express had hardly pulled in than the shutters went up for the Mohammedan feast of Bairam.

Here I am now in Paris, and again everything is closed. They are having a bank holiday. Any tourists who arrived after 4 p.m. on Thursday are out of luck. They will not be able to cash their £35 until the banks open again on Tuesday.

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The only people not on holiday are the politicians. The 17 delegates of the O.E.E.C. (Organisation for European Economic Co-operation) are meeting here daily. Many of them are complaining that their countries are getting far too little out of the 4,875 million dollars now being allocated for the first year of Marshall aid, and that France and Britain are getting too much.

The delegates are grumbling so hard that they are even putting in an extra meeting today. Some say the grumbling will end in rejection of the allocation scheme, the breakdown of the plan in its first stage, and discord among the Marshall nations.

This would supply the Kremlin with further encouraging evidence of Western disunion. Russian stubbornness in the Moscow talks would be stiffened.

The politicians of the French Parliament are also in Paris this week-end hard at work. Their efforts, however, should have a better effect on Moscow. For they are signing the blank cheque demanded by Finance Minister Reynaud—everyone here is agreed that the Enabling Bill will receive its second reading without a hitch next week.

This should assure that France is safe from another Government crisis at least until December 10, when Reynaud has to put his financial programme before the Assembly. Most probably, so I am told, it will last well into next year. In fact, one French politician, to whose judgment I have learned to attach faith, insists that this new Government is going to prove the strongest, the most efficient, and most durable France has seen since the war.

The Marshall allocation dispute, however, is a dangerous snag. For Reynaud's plan of financial and economic reform, with which he means to put an end to the race between the rising cost of living and workers' wages, depends on France being given the 1,000 million dollars allocated to her for the coming year.

If Reynaud doesn't get this 1,000 million dollars there will be strikes, disorders, and the new Government, despite the vote of the Assembly, will be as weak and as fragile as the previous French Government.

(Editor's Note:—The Government of Andre Marie resigned at the end of last week because the Socialists would not agree to Reynaud's plan.)

TURKEY:

MOSCOW is wooing Turkey. Ambassador Lavrichiev has given orders to his staff in Ankara to drop the old policy of dour isolation.

Soviet diplomats as a result of their new orders are going out to parties and restaurants, not sticking in their homes as they used to. They are all smiles and friendliness. Even Lavrichiev's family has been mobilised for the operation.

Living next to the Soviet Embassy in Ankara is a Turkish family with two small boys about the age of the two small sons of Ambassador Lavrichiev.

The other day the two small Turks reported that the two small Russians had come out into the field between their houses and had shyly offered to play with them.

BULGARIA:

I CAN'T help feeling that we may soon be hearing some dramatic news about Georgi Dimitrov, Bulgaria's veteran Communist leader. He has been playing a tricky game trying to keep both Stalin and Tito. And I don't think he is through with it yet.

When I was on my way through Sofia Dimitrov was on holiday. Staying with his family during this vacation was Dragocheva, the Bulgarian woman Communist. This is significant.

For Dragocheva is in disgrace with Moscow. By Moscow's orders Dragocheva, one of the oldest and most senior of the Sofia party, was thrown out of the Bulgarian Politburo after she, like Tito, had taken up the cause of the peasants.

She publicly opposed the collectivisation of their land demanded by Stalin. Now, even Communists as high up as Dimitrov do not as a rule dare to defy Moscow by openly associating with a Communist in disgrace.

To my mind, this holiday party lends colour to reports that Dimitrov seriously considered joining Tito in his rebellion, and setting up the Bulgarian-Yugoslav republic they had agreed on despite Moscow's displeasure and despite Tito's trouble with the Cominform.

Some people even say that he is still considering a rebellion of this kind. The facts are that, after Moscow's public rebuff to Dimitrov in February, when Moscow rejected Dimitrov's declaration about the desirability of a Balkan federation, and, too, after the serious trouble had begun in March between Tito and the Cominform, Dimitrov made two separate approaches to Tito. The first was in April, when Dimitrov in a public statement said that Moscow's declaration had referred to a general Balkan union, but not to the South Slav union proposed between Yugoslavia and Bulgaria.

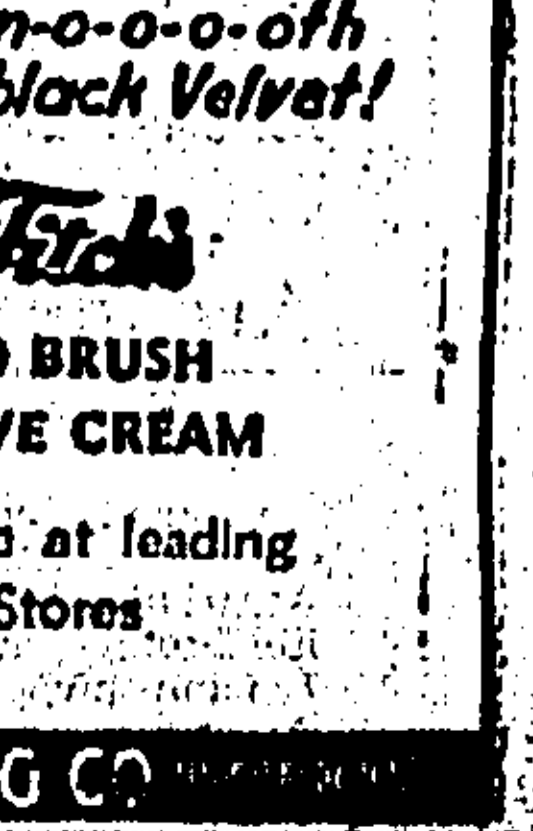
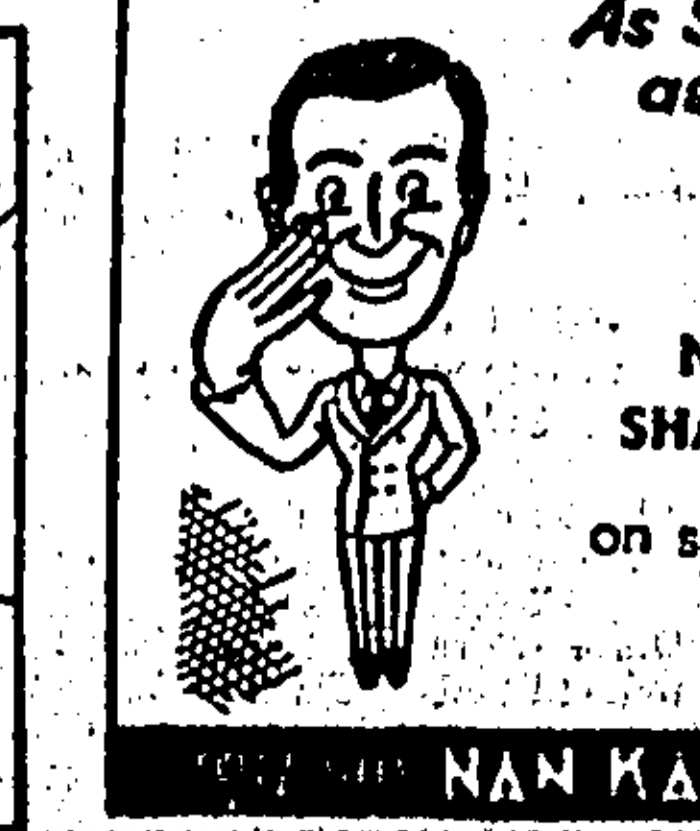
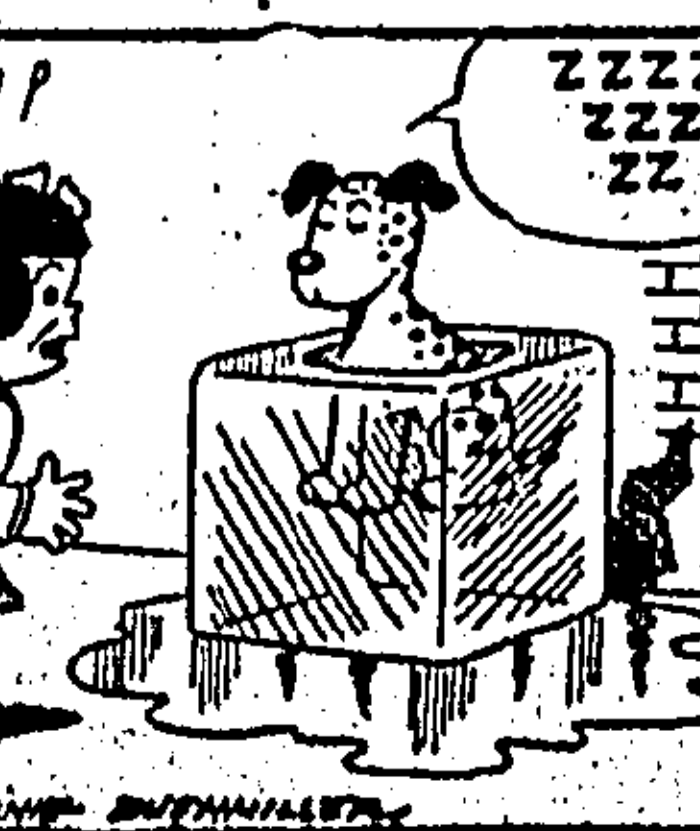
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A few weeks later Dimitrov, on his way through Yugoslavia to Prague, wanted to stop off in Belgrade to see Tito and have a talk with him.

But Tito apparently himself did not dare at that time to enter on anything that looked like a conspiratorial gesture. He refrained from meeting Dimitrov himself and confined himself to sending his Foreign Minister. Dimitrov took this amiss. After the Cominform crisis had broken and all pictures of Tito had been removed from Bulgarian public buildings and the name of Tito scratched off the Marshal Tito Boulevard in Sofia, the Bulgarian Communist Party went into retreat for a whole week before they issued their statement.

When it came it contained a harsh passage criticising "the leadership of the party for vainglorious self-willfulness and luxurious living," a charge which could only have been directed at Dimitrov himself.

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STARTING AMID RUINS OF A LOST WAR

Berlin, Aug. 29.—The second German Republic will be born on Wednesday, nine years from the day when Adolf Hitler started the war that destroyed his Third Reich. On that day the Assembly, which will lay the constitutional foundation, will meet at Bonn, on the Rhine.

Reds Lose Ground In Sweden

Stockholm, Aug. 29.—Communist chances of gaining ground in the Swedish Riksdag elections on September 19 look exceedingly slim.

On that date, Swedes will elect 230 members of the Lower Chamber of their Parliament for a period of four years beginning from January, 1949.

Pre-election soundings warrant the prediction that the Swedish Communists will lose at least half of their 14 seats in the present Assembly.

The question whether the election result will produce a Cabinet crisis hinges on the Social Democrat showing. If seats they are expected to gain from the Communists are sufficient to make up for likely losses to the Centre parties, the Social Democrat absolute majority in the second chamber would be maintained, as well as the right to a one-party Cabinet.

But there is widespread dissatisfaction among the rank and file of Swedes with the Social Democrat Government's handling of the country's economy. The valent charge is that the Government has been dissipating foreign assets to the point where the importation of vital raw materials must now be curtailed, bringing the prospect of large-scale unemployment.

A \$200,000,000 trade credit to the Soviet Union may also be held against the Government by Swedish voters.

If the elections bring a massive shift to the Centre and to the conservatives, then a Coalition Cabinet between the Social Democrats and the Centre is most probable, with either the Liberal People's Party or the Peasant Party occupying key posts of economy and finance.—Reuter.

Wilhelmina's Jubilee

The Hague, Aug. 29.—Queen Wilhelmina, who has been in retirement since May 13 owing to ill health, will tomorrow again become the constitutional head of the Netherlands for six days to celebrate her 60th birthday and Golden Jubilee on Tuesday.

Queen Wilhelmina will officially abdicate on the morning of September 4 and Princess Beatrix, her daughter, will immediately be proclaimed ruler. The investiture of the new Queen will be held in the New Church of Amsterdam on September 6.

There will be no ceremony tomorrow when Queen Wilhelmina becomes Queen of the Netherlands for the third time. The Queen will merely sign a decree that she is assuming office for six days and that Princess Beatrix Juliana no longer exercises sovereign powers.

Official messages of congratulations are expected to begin arriving tomorrow, and meanwhile Dutch postal authorities have asked the public not to delay in sending their telegrams of loyalty and have promised that none of them will be delivered until Jubilee Day.—Reuter.

BERLIN AIRLIFT FIGURES

Berlin, Aug. 29.—The Anglo-American airlift armada made 674 flights carrying an estimated 4,100 tons of foodstuffs into Berlin the 24-hour period ending at noon Sunday, the 67th day of the Soviet blockade of Berlin.

American planes made 394 sorties with 2,902 tons of supplies, the United States Air Force announced. The R.A.F. sent 280 planes into Berlin with an estimated 1,215 tons of supplies.

The British did not release an official figure on tonnage carried.—Associated Press.

Archduke Otto On World Flight

London, Aug. 29.—The Archduke Otto of Austria, Pretender to the Austrian Throne of Hapsburg, and his brother, the Duke of Este, left London airport tonight in a Pan-American plane on a round-the-world flight.—Reuter.

Polio Victim Undergoes Caesarian



Mrs. Maurine Luker, 36, of Long Beach, Calif., wife of a post-office employee, looks at her seven-pound boy born via Caesarian section at the Los Angeles General hospital where Mrs. Luker, a polio victim, is confined to a respirator. Artificial respiration kept her alive for 45 minutes while she was out of the iron lung for the operation.

—AP Picture.

Success Of Currency Reform Will Determine Nanking's Future

Washington, Aug. 29.—Republican Representative James Fulton, member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, in an interview with the United Press, predicted today that the future of the present Chinese Government depends on the success of the new currency reform announced two weeks ago.

Rep. Fulton said: "If the new currency can be made into something the people will accept as a basic means of exchange, then the economy of China will be stabilised. On the other hand, failure in the field of currency could result in the collapse of the government."

Rep. Fulton explained: "The basic question is whether the given stabilised currency and the new starting point of the government can so manage the affairs of the Chinese people that it will stop a further inflationary spiral. It is unable to do so, the entire economic and political structure might collapse."

Rep. Fulton, who also is a member of the Congressional "watchdog" committee of the ECA, has been interested in China ever since his election to the House of Representatives. He and Republican Representative Walter Judd of Minnesota were leaders in the House fight to increase the amount of funds for China aid during the past session of Congress.

THE NEXT STEP

He said in the interview: "Inflation in China is understandable at present, but continuing or increasing inflation is another question. The problem is not past inflation but whether the government can keep it within bounds now that they have a new starting point."

Rep. Fulton said that units of the currency are meaningless in themselves but must be considered in relation to the lives and well-being of the people using them.

He said: "The next step in China is for the people themselves to show faith in the government steps towards construction and rehabilitation by showing confidence in economic and currency and co-operating with governmental efforts."

Rep. Fulton continued: "This is the first opportunity that the Chinese Government and people have had in peacetime to show whether or not they can put together a working team to obtain the co-operation of the entire population. If the new currency is successful, it may even stop Communist influence in the north by strengthening democratic China."

CLOSE WATCH

He also said that the stable currency attracts capital goods and trade. He said: "If the government and people succeed in stabilising the currency as a good medium of exchange, the effect will be felt in surrounding states as well as in China itself. With a stable Chinese currency and the reopening of trade routes in the Pacific, China will have every chance to become a great trading nation of the East."

Rep. Fulton also declared that leaders of foreign policy in the Republican Party will be watching China closely in the next four months.

He said: "By sponsoring aid to China, over State Department objections, the Republican Party and Congressional leaders have offered a helping hand of partnership to China. What develops in China during the next four months of preparation and formulation of policy for the new Congress will mean a turning point in Chinese history."—United Press.

Umberto In Seville

Madrid, Aug. 29.—Ex-king Umberto of Italy arrived in Seville from Lisbon tonight and later drove to San Lucar de Barameda, where he is staying for a few days as the guest of Prince Alfonso of Orleans and Bourbon, a cousin of Don Juan's father, the late King Alfonso.—Reuter.

NOTED CZECH WELCOMED TO LONDON

London, Aug. 29.—Dr Peter Zenkl, the 64-year-old former Deputy Premier of Czechoslovakia, alleged soon after his arrival in London by air today that since the Communist coup d'etat in Czechoslovakia his life had been in "danger" all the time.

Dr Zenkl declared: "The last six months were the worse for me and my wife than my six years in the concentration camp at Buchenwald. Now that I am liberated I have the same feeling; as when I left the concentration camp."

He said that he came to Britain to help his colleagues and other "refugees" from Czechoslovakia. "We shall work to free our country from the Communists. Freedom must come, and if it comes without fighting we shall be happy," he said.

Dr Zenkl, who arrived with his wife, expects to be in Britain for about two weeks before going to the United States. He revealed some of the details of his escape on August 7.

"With my wife and two watchers I was always watched—I left my flat in Prague to visit my brother's grave 18 miles away at Karlstein. We were all put into a lorry, and less than four hours later we were in the American Zone and safe."

"We were all blindfolded in the lorry so that we could not see who saved us. It was done for security reasons."

Dr Zenkl refused to say whether he knew that he was to be helped to leave Czechoslovakia on August 7. He was almost in tears at the reception he received at the airport.

In London, he is joining five former Czech Ministers and about 20 Members of Parliament who are trying to form an organisation of social welfare and information to help Czech refugees.—Reuter.

H.K. Anglers Meet

The Hongkong Angling Society held a meeting in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post last week at which the Memorandum and Articles of Association were passed. The rules of the Society were read and some amendments were made before they were passed.

One member suggested that an entrance fee should be introduced, or the subscription raised. The meeting decided that there should be no entrance fee, and that the annual subscription should continue to be \$10 until the next annual general meeting in April 1949.

Four new committee members, who are particularly interested in sea fishing, were elected. The Chairman, Mr. J. T. Prior, expressed the hope that a great deal could be done by the Society to improve sea, river, and pond fishing in the Colony.

Members of the Committee are: J. T. Prior, Chairman; A. E. Gutteridge, Honorary Treasurer; Mrs. A. J. Staple, Honorary Secretary; P. K. Lau, Capt. O'Farrell, D. Phillips, N. K. Littlejohn, Colin Cairns, W. L. Gutteridge, W. Orchard and H. O. Gardner.

The first Republic was born in the Weimar of the German writers Goethe and Schiller; the second begins in the birthplace of Ludwig van Beethoven. Like the first, it starts amid the ruins of a lost war and in a quiet city closer to the traditions of the German classics than to the memories of German military power. But here the analogy ends.

The start of the second Republic is more difficult as the second World War was more destructive. It takes place more than three years after the end of the war in a country where cities are largely reduced to rubble. Rebuilding has barely begun under the impulse of currency reform and Marshall Aid, and its economic revival is precarious.

The Bonn Assembly owes its existence to the London Conference of the Western Powers, held without German participation, which decided to authorise the West German President to call a Constitutional Assembly on certain terms. Its composition is confined to delegates from the Western Zones and Berlin, and the validity of its work applies to the Western Zones alone. Its work will require the approval of the Military Governors as well as that of the German people.

Meanwhile, the fate of Berlin's City Government, in the balance for the past four days, is expected to be known by midnight tonight.

STANDING BY

Dr Otto Suhr, President of the City of Berlin, said this afternoon that he was standing by for a reply from Major-General Alexander Kotikov, Soviet Commandant of Berlin, to his latest communication requesting Russian action to protect the Assembly from Communist demonstrations. The reply, Dr Suhr said, was expected to arrive by midnight.

Several letters have been exchanged between Dr Suhr and General Kotikov since Friday, when demonstrators invaded the City Hall in the Soviet sector for the second time within 24 hours, and broke up a meeting of the Assembly and its Executive Committee.

Dr Suhr requested that General Kotikov ban demonstrations in the area of the City Hall and take other steps to ensure the safety of Deputies. General Kotikov replied in a letter on Friday, asking for elucidation, and Dr Suhr wrote a second letter yesterday clarifying his requests.

Dr Suhr said this afternoon that he proposed calling a meeting of the city elders tomorrow, and would assemble in the City Hall for Tuesday if General Kotikov met his demands.

STRONG ATTACK

If his demands were not met, Dr Suhr said, he would call the meeting in one of the Western sectors.

Berlin's Soviet-licensed newspapers charged today that the city elders were entirely American-controlled and that their meetings were presided over by "an American, Captain Biel."

The Neues Deutschland, official Socialist Unity Party newspaper, launched a strong attack on the City authorities and the City Assembly in particular, describing the latter as "the so-called City Assembly."—Reuter.

Arabs Buying Jewish Money

Haifa, August 29.—Arab refugees are trying to sell their great Palestine pounds for the blue Israeli pounds even though at a heavy loss, United Nations officials reported today.

These officials, arriving from Syria and Lebanon, said that they are being constantly approached, especially in Beirut, by Arab refugees from Palestine who offer as much as three Palestine for one Israeli pound.

Trans-Jordan is now the only country where the Palestine pound is official tender, although it is no longer backed by Britain.

A United Nations pilot just returned from Amman said that even there some businessmen preferred the Israeli exchange.—United Press.

BOGOTA RIOTS INQUIRY

Bogota, Colombia, Aug. 29.—An important development in connection with last April's Colombia rioting was forecast today.

Judge Francisco J. Guzman said a Government inquiry is "on the threshold of something important." The inquiry is into the killing of the Liberal Senator Jorge E. Gaitan, whose shooting touched off a short rebellion. The rebellion cost 1,500 lives and delayed the meetings of the Inter-American conference.—Associated Press.

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13 Sentenced To Death

Athens, August 29.—Thirteen alleged members of the Communist underground—three women and 10 men—were sentenced to death by a court martial here yesterday.

Seven other defendants got life imprisonment, 11 were sentenced to from one to 15 years and 21 acquitted.—United Press.

Tito's Life In Danger

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Imposed eventually upon the whole world.

"For Moscow, of course," Mr. Hollingworth wrote, "the ideal solution would be the replacement of Marshal Tito by a thoroughly reliable pro-Soviet stooge. But as Marshal Tito will never passively accept dismissal and as he still has the warm backing of a considerable majority of his countrymen, the only way to remove him is by force."—United Press.

Heat Wave Deaths Nearly 150

New York, Aug. 29.—The death toll from the heat wave which has blanketed most of the United States for the past few days, had today risen to nearly 150. In New York itself, 20 people have died from the effect of heat.

Weather forecasters predicted a temporary relief for New York tonight, after four days with the thermometer around 100 degrees Fahrenheit.—Reuter.

A DAY'S GOLF BROUGHT HIM \$25,000:
HE DIED IN A PRISON CELL

THE CHAMP WASHED DISHES . . .

By EVELYN WEBBER

New York.—Cyril Walker, the little golfer from Manchester who won the 1924 American national open championship and died a fortnight ago in a prison bed, was "the man who would not listen."

He died as he had lived—alone, independent, self-willed.

He died hungry, too. When he arrived at New Jersey goal, destitute after a 200-mile hitch-hike from Miami, he would not listen when the police told him he needed something to eat.

He only shook his head when Miami friends advised him not to make the journey.

Walker's father, owner of a golf shop at Prestwich Golf Club, wanted him to become a stockbroker. And though Cyril went to work in a Manchester office, he spent his spare time on the links dreaming of the day when he would become a professional.

He left his job and persuaded his father to finance golfing instruction for him at Hoylake. Later he qualified twice for British Open championships.

A REBUFF CHANGED HIS LIFE

When he was 20, Cyril received a rebuff that changed his life. A competitor in a match snarled at him: "Get out of the way. You'll never be a good player." The diminutive Cyril, of the shrill voice, red face, large ears and immense

His younger brother William, who had joined him in America, lives in New Jersey. He is a golfing professional.

Cyril's wife and 25-year-old son, Ronald, an insurance agent, live there too.

William told me his brother never went to see them after the divorce. Nor did he ask for aid.

"He never listened to us," said William. "He just used to say, 'Take all the breaks and go on to the next play without worrying.'"

The only remark he ever really heard was one made to him by Walter Hagen the day Cyril won the championship. Walter rushed up and said: "Well, Cyril, we've all got to respect you now."

HOCKEY

Pakistan Swamps Belgium

Brussels, Aug. 29.—The Pakistan Olympic hockey team today beat a Belgian national XI by eight goals to zero, after leading by three goals to zero at half time.

Today's game was almost a repeat performance of last Sunday's match when the Belgian side lost by the same score to the Indian Olympic team.

Aziz, Mahmud and Hamid played brilliantly in the Pakistan forward line, and Belgium would undoubtedly have lost by an even bigger margin but for the great work by their goalkeeper, Verheven, who could not be blamed for the trouncing his team received.

Right from the start, Pakistan went into the attack, and in the 11th minute Aziz scored from a long pass from Mahmud. Three minutes later, Mahmud added another, and just before half time, Mahmud put Pakistan three ahead.

In the second half, Belgium's defence fell to pieces. After five minutes Hamid scored for Pakistan, and three minutes later Ghaffour accepted a long pass from Aziz and netted. Within a period of six minutes, Aziz scored three goals to make the total eight, two by individual effort and one from a pass from Mahmud.—Reuter.

INDIA ALSO WINS
Prague, Aug. 29.—The Indian Olympic team beat Sport Club Hostavia here by five goals to one today, after leading three goals to one at half time.

G. Singh (2), Clodius, Fernandez and Jasswar scored for the Indians.—Reuter.

red hands, was sensitive. He vowed then the world would respect him. In 1914 he left his parents and Elizabeth, his Liverpool sweetheart, and got a job in a New York department store, demonstrating golfing shots.

A few months later he sent for Elizabeth. After they were married he bought a house in a New Jersey suburb and settled down as a 10 guinea a week golfing instructor.

In 1924, with the arrival of their baby, Walker decided his hour had come. He entered the American national golf tournament. His victory that windy June day, 24 years ago, at the Oakland Hills Country Club, Michigan, made golf history.

He admitted afterwards he had practised strategy for hours. "They have got to admire me now," he said. His age was 32.

But the match was not the beginning; it was the climax of his career. His game lost the consistency that won him his supremacy. A year later, in 1925, he was nowhere near the top.

DID NOT TAKE LONG
It did not take him long to lose the \$25,000 he earned after he became champion. He was never worth the \$250,000 that people thought.

After he was presented with a \$7,500 purse with the title, he was besieged by speculators inviting him to invest. Land he bought in Florida cost him \$12,500. Later he tried to sell it, discovered it was worthless, could never be built upon.

His New Jersey golfing club enterprise was undertaken with four partners. Walker invested \$10,000. Together the five built the club.

They had no experience; were forced to sell.

Walker also dabbled in stocks. Though he never really understood them, he had fair success. But he refused to see signs. In 1929 he lost heavily in the Stock Market crash. He settled a substantial sum on his wife, however, on their divorce in 1930.

Only Walker's New Jersey house, purchased for a few hundred pounds in 1915, remains to show where some of his money went.

Always ill with stomach trouble, he began, against advice, to drink. When he was arrested for drunken driving and fined \$65, he did not have the money to pay. Later he drove his car into an advertisement of a golf club he thought had put him out of business.

When his wife divorced him, Walker went to Florida and worked as a teacher, later as a caddy at clubs there. He disappeared often for days, always promising when he returned to reform. Toward the end he worked as a waiter and a dish-washer.

HOME ONCE ONLY
During all this time, he went home only once, in 1926, to play and lose in the Open Championship at St. Anne's.

But he gave plenty of money away. All his life he remained the shy, proud, appealing little man with the Lancashire accent who longed for admiration but did not know when it was his wish to do with it.

KEYS FOR TEES



Forced off the fairways by rain, these contestants in the American Women's National Open Golf Championship got around a piano to hear Babe Zaharias beat the ivory.

Left to right at the piano are Betty Hicks, Detroit; Babe Zaharias and Patty Berg, Minneapolis.

Standing, left to right, Sally Sessions, North Muskegon, Mich.; Helen Detweiler, Chevy Chase, Md.; Katherine Hemphill, Greensboro, N.C.; Mary Muel, Portland, Ore.; Hope Seignous, Greensboro; Helen Sigel, Philadelphia; Ann Casey, Mason City, La. The tournament is being held at Northfield, N.J.—A.P. Wirephoto.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES

Short Of The Triple Hop Everything's Been Tried

By RECORDER

There can be events without limit in athletic competition and in the modern Olympic Games series there have been some that have since been abandoned after being considered, finally, a little on the far-fetched side.

The programme has been pared down to its present form which gives little ground for criticism other than that an intermediate running distance between the 1,500 and 5,000 metres, say the 3,000 metres, could well be included, as could one between the 10,000 metres and the Marathon, which is just over 40 kilometres.

Long sashes abandoned are the 60 metres dash, the standing long and high jumps, the throws on an aggregate for either hand, the Greek-style Discus throw, and the Pentathlon.

In the course of the 40 years' history of the modern Games series, various suggestions have been put forward for new events, but most of these fell through.

One of these was the pole vault for distance rather than height, a regular event on American athletic programmes many years ago but now abandoned for a good score of years.

The Americans, in their National Championship, still keep up the 50-lb. weight throw and the English yet retain the tug-of-war, once for a brief period an Olympic event till the incident the 1800 London Games when the Americans kicked up a fuss about the British team, represented by the London Metropolitan Police, using hob-nailed boots to get a grip on the ground.

Here are the summaries for the odd athletic events at the Games, concluding the tabulation of Olympic finalists and semifinalists in track and field athletics:

MARATHON RUN

1. Delfo Cabrera (Argentina) 2:34:51.0
2. Tom Richards (Britain) 2:35:07.0
3. E. Gailly (Belgium) 2:35:33.0
4. Johannes Coleman (S. Africa) 2:36:06
5. E. C. Guinez (Argentina) 2:36:36
6. S. T. Luyt (South Africa) 2:38:11
7. G. Oestling (Sweden) 2:38:40.6
8. J. Systas (Norway) 2:38:41
9. A. P. Sensini (Argentina) 2:39:30
10. H. K. Larsen (Denmark) 2:41:22
11. Viljo Heino (Finland)
12. A. Mellin (Sweden)

JAVELIN THROW
1. Tapio Luukkainen (Finland) 226: 9/16
2. Steve Seymour (USA) 221: 7/16
3. J. Varszegi (Hungary) 219: 11
4. P. K. Vesterinen (Finland) 216: 2
5. Odd Maelum (Norway) 214: 3/16
6. Martin Bliss (USA) 213: 9/16

Semi-Finalists
The semi-finalists, who threw 209 feet 11 inches or over were A. Berglund (Sweden), G. Pettersson (Sweden), Lumir Kleveswetter (Czechoslovakia), M. Vujacic (Yugoslavia), S. M. Nikkisen (Finland) and Bob Likens (USA).

HAMMER THROW
1. Imre Nemeth (Hungary) 183: 11/16
2. I. Gubijan (Yugoslavia) 178: 0/16
3. Bob Bennett (USA) 178: 3/16
4. Sam Felton (USA) 178: 0/16
5. L. E. O. Tamminen (Finland) 174: 1/16
6. Bosse Ericsson (Sweden) 173: 0

DECATHLON
1. Bob Mathias (USA) 7,150
2. Ignace Helmsch (France) 6,974
3. Bob Simmons (USA) 6,954
4. Enrique Kistenmacher (Argentina) 6,929

400 METRES RELAY
1. United States 4:11
2. Great Britain 4:13
3. Italy 4:13
4. Hungary 4:14
5. Australia 4:15
6. Netherlands 4:19
7. Canada 4:24
8. Brazil 4:24
9. Argentina 4:24

1,600 METRES RELAY
1. United States 3:16.4
2. Italy 3:14.0
3. Jamaica 3:14.0
4. Great Britain 3:14.8
5. Sweden 3:16.0
6. Canada 3:19.0
7. Finland 3:20.0
8. Argentina 3:21.2

HIGH HURDLES
1. Bill Porter (USA) 13.9
2. Clyde Scott (USA) 14.1
3. Craig Dixon (USA) 14.1
4. Alberto Triluzi (Argentina) 14.6
5. Peter Gardner (Australia) 14.5
6. Haakon Lilman (Sweden) 14.6
7. Jim Vickers (India) 14.7
8. Andre Marie (France) 14.9

LOW HURDLES
1. Roy Cochran (USA) 51.1
2. Duncan White (Ceylon) 51.8
3. Richard Autt (USA) 52.1
4. Rune Larsson (Sweden) 51.8
5. Yves Gros (France) 52.5
6. Ottavio Missoni (Italy) 53.4
7. Jeffrey Kirk (USA) 54.3
8. J. Andre (France) 54.5
9. A. Westman (Sweden) 54.5
10. H. Alberti (Argentina) 54.6
11. Jim Holland (N. Zealand) 54.6
12. Bebbe Storskrubb (Finland) 54.6
*Semi-final times.

COPENHAGEN MEET
Copenhagen, Aug. 29.—The Americans won all the events today when their two-day meeting with Scandinavian athletes began here at the Osterbro Stadium.

Denmark were leading by 10 metres at one stage in the 400 metres relay, but the United States, with Harrison Dillard as their anchor runner, duly added this to their triumphs in 41 seconds.

Dillard also won the 110 metres hurdles, his time being 13.9 seconds. The other winners were: 200 metres: Barney Ewell, 22 seconds.

400 metres: Dave Bolen, 47.8 seconds. Hammer: Sam Felton, 54.1 metres. Pole Vault: Richmond Morcum, 4.1 metres.

Javelin: Steve Seymour, 67.34 metres. Discus: Fortune Gorden, 54.07 metres.—Reuter.

The Channel Swimmers

Dover, England, Aug. 29.—Tom Blower, 34-year-old Nottingham swimmer, entered the water at Dover at 15.14 hours GMT tonight on the start of his attempt to swim the English Channel both ways.

He said he would spend 15 or 20 minutes ashore in France, have a meal there and then re-enter the water for the return swim.

He hopes to beat the record set up by E. H. Tomme of 15 hours, 54 minutes for the swim from England to France.

Blower swam the Channel from France to England in 1937.

EGYPTIANS
Folkestone, England, Aug. 29.—Three of four Egyptians attempting to swim the English Channel from France were reported about half way across at 18.00 hours GMT today by passengers on a cross Channel steamer.

The passengers said on arrival at Folkestone that three swimmers were sighted on a line midway between Dover and Folkestone. They were not identified.

The four Egyptians scheduled to make the attempt were Marich Hassan, Hamad, Hassan, Abdel Rehim, Fahmy Attallah and Abdel Megid Mohammed.

It was expected the swimmers would reach the coast near Dover at about 21.00 hours GMT if all went well.

The weather was sunny and the sea was calm.

At 20.30 hours GMT, the Egyptian swimmers were reported less than half a mile from the beach at St Margaret's Bay between Dover and Deal.—Associated Press.

AMERICA'S MILLIONS MOURN THE 'BABE'

£20,000-A-Year Man Came From Slums

By FREDERICK COOK

NEW YORK.

President Truman led a mourning nation in its tributes to Babe Ruth, America's baseball idol.

Said Truman: "He had all the qualities of a hero." Babe Ruth was a rough, tough, good-hearted product of the slums who battled his way to the top.

When he retired the Babe was able to live in affluence. He maintained a large apartment overlooking the Hudson River in New York.

Despite wild extravagances of his earlier years—when he was a monster party thrower and an incredibly lavish tipper—Ruth at 45 was able to count on a monthly income of £625.

One of Babe Ruth's weaknesses was that he could never remember a name. The result was his home-made rule: "If they look under 40 I call 'em kid. If more, I call 'em all Doc. They none of 'em seem to mind."

Many thousands of boys who were not even born when the Babe was in his heyday are grieving today the loss of their hero. In his time he had autographed thousands of baseball bats and taught thousands of boys how to put that twist into their delivery.

"I never had much in the way of a boyhood myself," he used to say, "I like to give the kids a break."

Babe Ruth was 53 when death came. For many months he had fought throat cancer of the type that took his friend Damon Runyon.

He knew his days were numbered. Yet in the last summer of his life—frail, bent, pallid, his once mighty voice cut to a pitiful rasping whisper—he made scores of public appearances wherever his services were sought in a good cause.

He received the biggest "play" ever to be given in the American Press to a public sports idol as he lay in death.

REFORM SCHOOL

The "Bambino" was raised in a water-front bar room in Baltimore. He was so unmanageable that his parents sent him to a reformatory run by the local Catholic Fathers.

There he remained nine years. The Fathers failed to make him work at anything but baseball, and often came within an ace of sending him away.

Ruth was signed to a good contract while still a youth and travelled in the next few years from club to club climbing ever higher financially.

In 1920 he was sold to a famous New York club, The Yankees, for the then record sum of £31,250.

Within a season or two Ruth had put The Yankees on the map. They built a vast new stadium with 70,000 seats.



BABE RUTH

Officially they called it The Yankee Stadium, but to baseball fans everywhere it was known as The House that Babe Built.

Ruth lived rough, gambled wildly, drank deeply and fed with a gargantuan appetite. His refusal to take care of himself, his talent for ignoring rules of training, led to more than one breakdown, and finally to a fine of 5,000 dollars deducted from his pay.

His wife bore him two children, both of whom died in infancy. In 1929 she died in a fire in Boston. A few months later Ruth married a former actress, Claire Hodgson.

HIS SECOND WIFE

The second Mrs Ruth reformed him. In the closing years of his career he trained faithfully and always fulfilled his obligations to his public.

He became a shrewd business man. The year after his second marriage he signed a contract at £20,000 a year.

At the close of his 22-year career in major baseball, it was estimated he had earned in salary £224,000 plus £10,000 as his share of receipts from the world series games, plus at least £250,000 from his barnstorming tours, vaudeville appearances, endorsements of products and radio appearances.

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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Distribution Carries This Slam Contract

BY WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

JACKIE, who operates the Carousel Club in Pittsburgh, did a splendid job, especially with the wish-children's Cancer Fund. He also sang a couple of numbers in his own inimitable style.

When I asked Jackie how he had retained his popularity these many years, he answered in bridge terms. He said, "When you first start out, you depend upon high card tricks. Later on, distribution will carry you through."

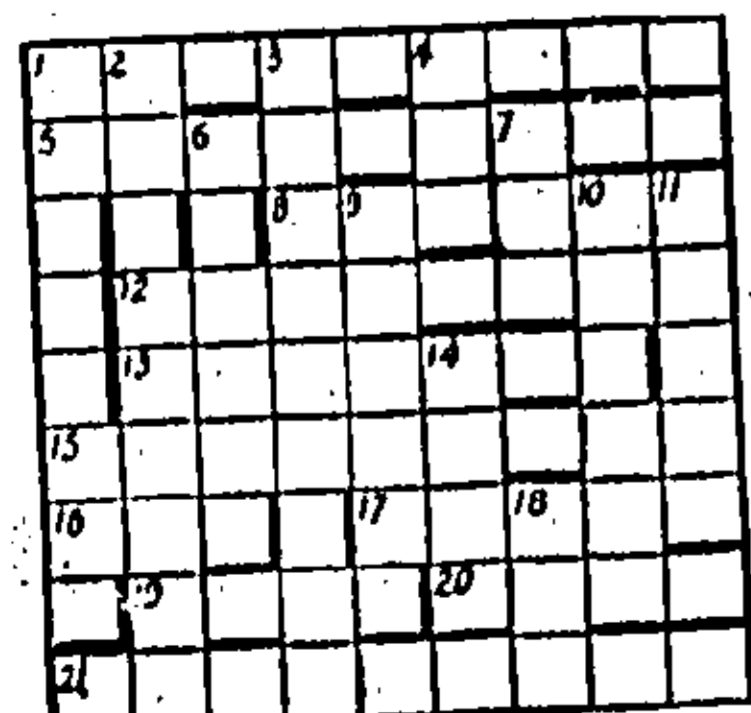
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♠ Dealer	♠ Dealer	♠ Dealer
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♠ 10863	♠ 10863	♠ 10863
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Opening—♠ 6	Opening—♠ 6	Opening—♠ 6

That is typical of today's hand, which was played a few years ago by the late George McClure, one of Pittsburgh's outstanding bridge stars. North went to six clubs purely as a sacrifice bid, and you can imagine how quickly East doubled.

McClure won the opening lead with the ace of spades and led the queen of diamonds. West refused to cover. Declarer took the finesse, led another diamond and finessed dummy's ten-spot. When it held, he cashed the ace of diamonds, on which he discarded his losing seven of spades.

Now a small club was pulled off the board, and East's ace and West's queen dropped together. Then all-declarer had to do was to cross-ruff the hand out for the balance of the tricks.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
4. To him, a cargo is something to put on or off. (9)
5. Can make even a rake cover. (10, 9)

- Down
1. The way a toe gets mixed with the still is sharply pointed. (5)
2. Fruit. (4)
3. A verse in changeable fashion. (6)
4. Follows the police in material. (5)
5. China clay. (5)
6. One confidence. (6)
7. Drink carried in the car, not by the car. (5)
8. Dot the long down. (4)
9. Understanding. (5)
10. Classification according to grade. (6)
11. Students to say that it stretches between two points. (7)
12. Grind to a fine powder. (9)
13. Metal. (3)
14. The mountain ash. (5)
15. River of the Middle East. (4)
16. A hall mark may mean only this to the housewife. (4)
17. Enough to make teeth play. (9)
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YOUR BIRTHDAY

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

BORN today, you are one of the happy-go-lucky souls who seem to float through life with the greatest ease. You are a natural money-maker and practically everything you touch seems to turn into gold. This does not mean, however, that you are not also a hard worker. When you are committed to a job, you tackle it with a vim and vigour which seems to step up the production of everyone around you.

You are always willing to take the long-shot. You would be bored to death in any kind of routine work, and must have variety and interest. You are accurate in all you do, and efficiency, makes it easy for you to get a job done. If born in humble circumstances, you will not be content to remain there for long. The

world is too large, too wide and too full of interesting opportunities. The stars give you one caution: learn to save something of what you earn, for you are extravagant in your personal tastes, and—generous and sympathetic toward all who are less favoured than yourself. You are violent against injustice—the one thing which seems to rouse your ire. If you see something of this sort, you will stop everything else and battle for the right. You are wonderful as a friend—but a bitter enemy. If someone is a "wrong 'un", you let the world know it and do something to correct conditions. To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 22)—Plans made for future activities should prove, later on, to be sound and workable. Marriage and the domestic fronts are favoured, too.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 31)—Mental activity can solve anything today. Put the old brain to work and it can indicate a successful method.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Legal matters are to be avoided whenever possible today. Business caution is also indicated. Go slowly.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Morning hours can be used to put the clincher on some important deal. Romance is good this afternoon and evening.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Moderation is today's watchword. Watch expenditures and don't over-expand your resources now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Romance is more favoured than business transactions. Everything should be fine on domestic front.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—An unexpected trip may bring about a real, romantic adventure. Be prepared for something exciting and interesting.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—Personal affairs still continue good. You may need to make a careful study of some angles in a business deal.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—If you are conservative and alert to misrepresentation on the part of schemers, you will come out all right.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)—Romance takes a front seat today. A wedding may be the cause of all the excitement. Plan to enjoy yourself.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)—Personal affairs become more important. You can afford to let business ride for a time. Enjoy yourself.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Be alert to any possible duplicity on the part of others. Make everything in brought out into the open.

AROUND THE WORLD:

Historical City of Verona

By TEMPLE MANNING

IN common with many a traveller we have always had a penchant for massive-walled, strongly-fortified towns, which is why we often hark back to one of our favourites, historical Verona.

We remember particularly the massive walls to the northeast on the high part of the city, walls built around 1537, and when we saw them last, still in perfect preservation. Above the walls, the bastions and forts, gleaming white, against the blue Italian sky and glistening sun, compose a remarkable picture.

Delightful Town

Verona itself is a delightful town, and we can still recall the excitement and interest of our journey from Milan to Verona, so rich in ancient and history glorious with beautiful palaces and priceless art treasures.

The river Adige, second largest in Italy, on which Verona is built, makes a huge bend and almost surrounds the old part of the town, which is triangular with a rounded apex to the northeast. How wonderful it was to stroll from our hotel near the western end of the main thoroughfare, the Corso Cavour, to the Piazza dell' Erbe, past those exquisite palaces, mostly 16th century structures richly ornamented, some with balconies and loggias. Then comes the Porta Borsari, one of the most famous of Roman gateways, erected in 205 A.D. It consists of a wall of two rounded arches over the main road, with two tiers of six small, shallow, round-headed arches built into the houses on either side, which are arched.

The Tribuna

Passing through this, the road narrows. Torrellos follow this route, along the Corso Porta Borsari into the Piazza dell' Erbe, which was once the ancient Forum and which is now content to be a fruit and vegetable market, every stall with a huge white umbrella above it to keep off sun and rain with equal impartiality.

In the centre of the square is the "Tribuna," a canopy supported by four columns, which was the ancient seat of judgment. The fountain, dating back to Roman days, once rich with statues, now serves as a dunking place for fruit and fish washing. Not far beyond is a 273-

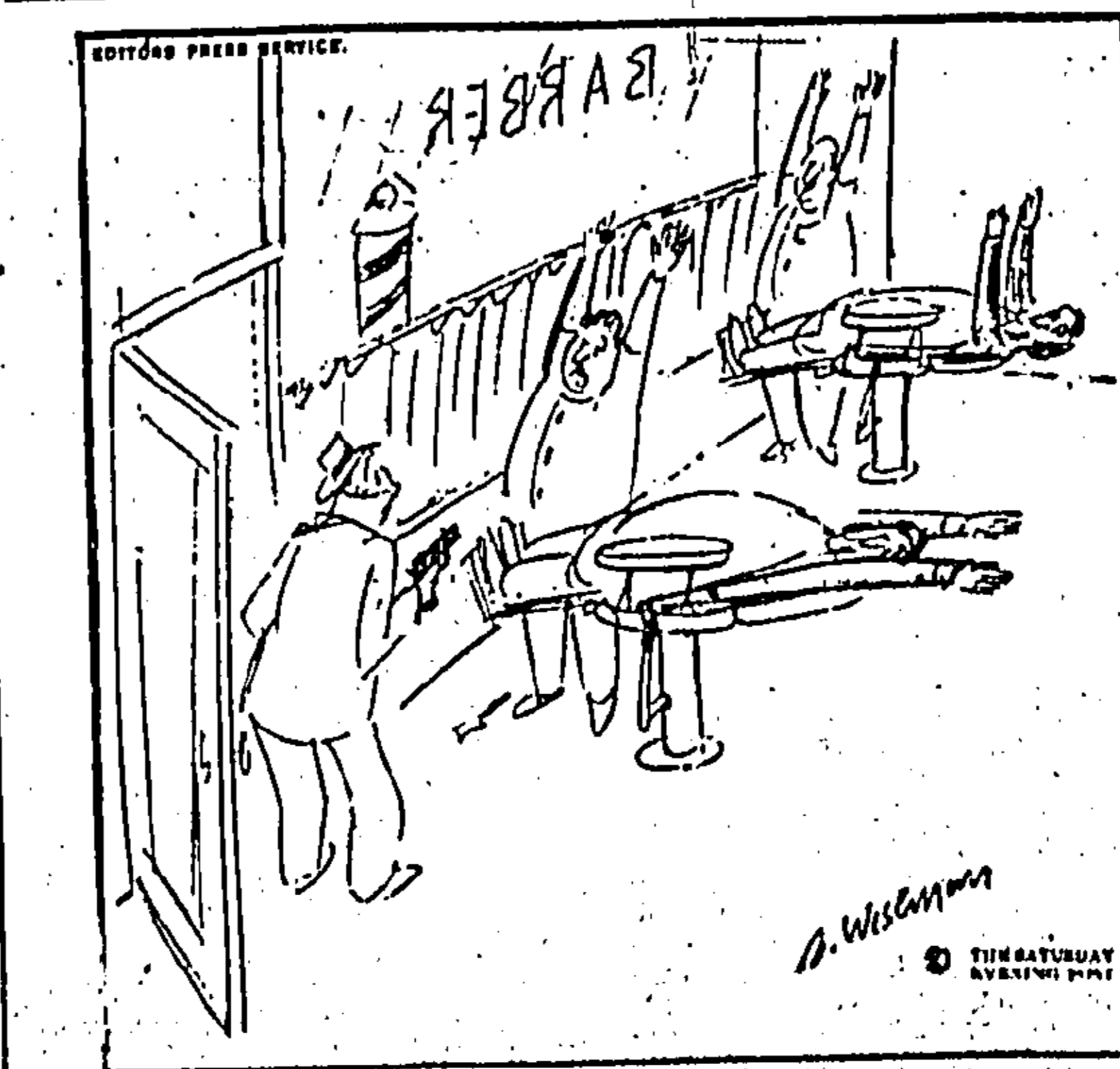


A scene in Verona, Italy.

feet-high tower, erected in 1370, and offering a wonderful view of the city.

A narrow street by the tower leads to the Piazza del Signori, in the northwest corner of which is the wonderful palace built by one of the world's greatest architects and most remarkable of men, Fra Giocondo, in 1407. He built it as the town hall, and it is worth coming from far to see, especially the sculptured figures on the roof coping. In the square is a monument to Dante, who, after he was banished from Florence in 1302, spent the first part of his exile in Verona.

On the banks of the Adige is the famous Church of St. Anastasia. It was begun in 1020, and the west facade has never been finished. Built of a mixture of brick and marble, it has a lofty vaulted roof supported on twelve huge white marble columns. It contains the exquisite Pellegrini chapel whose walls are panelled with terra cotta reliefs of biblical events. Near the church is the beautiful, Emile Palace where Napoleon stayed during the Italian campaign.



POCKET CARTOON



"We should be quite safe if we were in a rubber tree!"

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber
WHAT fools you must feel reading this while I am far away. For these words were written within range of your reproachful pens ("Dear Sir, does Beachcomber think it amusing to make fun of water-snakes, our lowly cousins, who cannot answer him back?"). But by the time they appear in print your bizarre ideas will be but a repulsive memory. For once more the bird that sang to Ogier in the wood of Vaucluse has lured me out into the world, and I go to seek that

Water of Youth and washer out of care
Which Raymond of Saragossa sought of old.

I go also to fulfil a certain duty, as a humble member of the Society for Cultural Relations and Intellectual Friendship, with the Wakawaka Tolstoy Group, who will give me pretty beads and bottles of gin in exchange for nicely bound copies of "War and Peace," with an introduction by Amabel Hopcraft, and notes by Ernst Hammerpudding. I shall, of course, make a report of the proceedings when I return, and a full account of the whole disgusting affair will appear in this column.

Parit, c'est mourir un peu. Last time I went abroad I stood on deck to watch the fading coastline and my cheeks were wet—but not with spray, or beer. A humble seaman, moved by my tears, approached, and thus addressed me: "Doubtless, sir, you are leaving behind you all that you hold dear?" Choking back my sobs I made reply: "Sailor man, I leave behind me the dearest, sweetest, public a man ever had." "Oh, sir," vouchsafed the honest mariner, "surely, one day you will return, when their hair has turned to silver and find them waiting for you." "Yes, yes," said I, "in a month—" "A month!" roared the infuriated sail. "Then what the devil are you blubbering about?" And he left me smiling through my tears, and somewhat comforted. The last new item I read before my departure said: "Very fat women are easily pleased." Let us, then, sing a little to keep up our spirits.

Lower her gently by crane.
To perch upon my knee,
Like some great beast in a fairy-tale,
Or a monster from the sea.
Steady, there! Don't let her crash,
Or we'll both go through the floor.
Oh, grumpy, how can I marry a girl
Who sticks in her own front door?

The show goes on. I leave this well-trodden space to the capable feet of one who... Treat him as you treat me, and he will think he has blundered into a forest full of demoted bluebellies.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

- Answers
1. Arabia and north east Africa.
2. An overdose of sunbath.
3. They are caused by the contraction of tiny muscles attached to the hair follicles, making the hairs "stand on end."
4. In other birds' nests.
5. For its fine marble quarries.

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

LONDON & NEW YORK STOCKS:

WEEKLY MARKET REVIEWS

London, Aug. 28.—During the past week the market had quite a good tone, but the complaint was that there was "more tone than business."

WARNING GUIDES FOR BUSINESS

Washington, Aug. 28.—The United States Chamber of Commerce has told the country's businessmen that they can do something about sustaining prosperity, preventing depression, and solving the "boom bust" problem.

To guide them in this undertaking, the Chamber has published a 10-page booklet containing a series of "do's" and "don'ts" for the guidance of business management. The Chamber says that it is designed to help the management of the country's four million separate businesses to "read business signals and storm warnings properly and on time."

The booklet gives a warning that "well-informed judgment is essential" and "there is no firm rule. In dynamic free economy there are no enduring normal relations of different prices or of supply and demand."

Below are listed a few of the "do's" and "don'ts":
DO study inventories.
DO watch for changes in the rate of expansion in your industry.
DO spread capital expansion over an extended period.
DO watch your liabilities with a "forward-looking" eye.
DON'T let short-term considerations beguile you into over-extending credit to your customers.
DON'T rely on short-term financing.
DON'T overlook warnings in rising interest rates.
DON'T conduct your own business as if it were in a vacuum.
—United Press.

S. AMERICAN PRODUCTION OF GOLD

Washington, August 28.—The Federal Reserve Board has issued a series of statistical tabulations revealing the important status of the Latin American countries in production, reserves and movements of gold.
Production statistics showed that Mexico, Colombia, Nicaragua and Chile, in that order, were producing large quantities of gold, while Venezuela was accumulating gold in partial settlement for exports of petroleum, frequently called "black gold."
Mexico last year produced gold equivalent to US\$16,250,000. In January this year the production was worth US\$600,000, and in February US\$1,307,000.
Colombia last year produced gold worth US\$13,400,000. In January this year the production was US\$1,124,000 and in February US\$1,302,000, and in March US\$809,000.
Nicaragua exported about 90 per cent of her total gold production in 1947 and the exports totalled NS\$7,400,000. In January this year the total was US\$640,000, February \$682,000, March \$634,000, April \$652,000, and May \$611,000.
Chile produced last year gold worth US\$5,900,000. In January this year the total was US\$300,000, February \$260,000 and March \$474,000.—United Press.

Production Goals Set By Yawata

Kokura, Aug. 28.—The Yawata Steel Works—the largest in the Far East before the war—has set September production goals for pig iron, steel ingot and steel products respectively at 35,000, 43,000, and 31,000 metric tons.
The production goal for pig iron shows an increase of 3,000 tons over August following full operation of the 50-ton blast furnace.
Steel ingot output is scheduled to increase by 2,500 tons.—United Press.

Franc Drops In Black Market

Paris, August 28.—The French franc fell heavily on the black market following the fall of the Marie government.
As the Bourse was closed, there were no free market quotations, but the black market showed that the French 20-franc gold piece jumped from 4,300 francs to 5,000 francs, and the United States \$20 gold piece from 21,000 francs to 23,000 francs.—United Press.

Violent Earthquake

London, Aug. 28.—Tirana Radio reported tonight that one man was killed and several persons injured when a violent earthquake shook the Scutari region of Albania during the night.—Reuter.

Optimism about the outcome of the Kremlin talks drove a good many "bears" to cover their previous short sales, with a small price swell resulting.

The Financial Times index of leading industrial shares closed at 115.3, which was the highest since June 15, while the index of Government stocks, closing at 112.75, was the highest since May 21.

Both indices owed much to the general realization that some of the £47,000,000, which the Argentine Government will shortly disburse to holders of preference shares in Argentine Railways, must go into leading industrial and Government stocks.

The War Loan was extraordinarily strong, rising 7/10ths to £103.4, as did also Transport three per cent to £98.4. Others gained 5/10ths.

Although the European situation was increasingly discussed, the only noteworthy change in European Bonds was in Czech six per cent, which rose £4 to £65. Austrian four and a half per cent rose £1 to £69 and French Ralls, Midi and Orleans, rose £1 1/2 to £91-1/2.

STRONGLY RECOMMENDED

Elsewhere the trend was easier, with German Potash seven per cent down £1 to £89 and Poland four and a half per cent down £1 to £16. The last mentioned was strongly recommended by this week's Investors' Chronicle for those looking for capital appreciation and in a position to take risks. Italian seven per cent was unchanged at £145, as were also Maramanna Ralls at £74.

Among Industrials, the most noteworthy gain was in Hudson's Bay shares, which were up 4-d., while Ford Motors and other leaders were up 2-d.

Royal Dutch led the Oil issues and was up £1 1/2 to £24.

Kaffirs were only moderately better.—United Press.

WEATHER HITS WALL STREET

New York, Aug. 28.—The stock market made little real headway this week in spite of Friday's rise. During the week trading dwindled to around the slowest pace for four years as an intense heat wave engulfed New York on Wednesday.

As the mercury kept on rising on Thursday attendance at Wall Street was at a minimum and many houses sent their employees home as early as possible each day.

The weather and comparisons of the present heat with the record snowfall of December 28 relieved the recent concentration on the Moscow talks and the German problem. As the talks continued during the week with no indication of the trend they might be taking, Wall Street kept on rising more and more convinced that no real market turn will come unless and until a decision is reached on Berlin.

Besides cutting down attendance in brokerage house board rooms, the high temperatures all over the east of the United States put a heavy hand on production.
Retail trade was up seven to 11 percent over 1947, but retailers were reported to be becoming alarmed over the trend of retail sales. What is going to happen after the new Credit Control Bill becomes law on September 20 is questionable. Many retailers are frankly offering bargains in an endeavour to persuade customers to buy as much as possible before the deadline.—United Press.

Factory Workers' Earnings

Washington, August 28.—The Labour Department estimates that factory workers earned an average of \$32.96 a week during July—a new all-time record high.

The Department said that a preliminary survey showed that the average time spent at work by thirteen million production workers last month amounted to 39.8 hours per week. This was a decrease of about 24 minutes a week from the June average. The shorter working week was caused chiefly by curtailed operation in some plants due to the summer vacation.—United Press.

Floods Submerge 100 Villages

Cawnpore, Aug. 28.—The flood waters of the river Ganges have submerged about 100 villages in the Cawnpore and Unnao districts in the heart of the United Provinces. They have caused extensive damage to crops and property, but the villagers have been evacuated to safety and so far no loss of life has been reported.

Tonight, the river was only two feet below the 1924 record level, here, and the heavy rain which started this evening was considered almost certain to swell the floods still more.—Reuter.

Purge In Albania Under Way

YUGOSLAVIA SYMPATHISERS ARRESTED BY THE SCORE

Belgrade, Aug. 29.—A widespread purge of Albanian Communists sympathetic towards Yugoslavia started today on orders of the Albanian Premier, Colonel General Enver Hoxha.

An unimpeachable source disclosed that up to now over 3,000 Albanians have been arrested. Two thousand of these were gaoled before economic relations with Yugoslavia were broken at the beginning of July and 1,000 since then.

The source said that the arrested included several close friends of Premier Hoxha and many with first class war records. Among them is Huri Huta, well known Albanian journalist and secretary of the Yugoslav Albanian Society for cultural collaboration. He headed the Albanian delegation to the United Nations conference at Geneva on the freedom of information.

He was arrested two weeks ago and as a protest against the brutal treatment to which he was subjected, he has been on a hunger strike for the last four days.

Those particularly affected by the purge are Albanian officials whose jobs brought them into regular contact with the Yugoslavs when relations between the two countries were normal and friendly.

ROUGH TREATMENT

It is stated that the arrests have been subjected to rough treatment and kept confined under bad conditions in an underground prison near Tirana where they are cut off completely from contact of the outside world.

The purge has been followed by an exodus of Albanians fleeing across the border into Yugoslavia.

Daily numbers are increasing despite the hazardous nature of the trip across the mountains.

A member of the Albanian Legion in Belgrade was recently recalled on account of his friendly attitude towards Yugoslavia. He refused to return.

A dispatch of notes to Hungary and Rumania accusing them of advocating the overthrow of the Tito regime, has been followed by mass meetings and demonstrations throughout Yugoslavia.

Hundreds of thousands of workers, peasants and intellectuals throughout the country have called for an end to these "slandering campaigns" and insisted that the truth should be written and told.

Textile workers have approved a resolution which reads: "Our answer to the insults and lies coming from Hungary and Rumania will be the fulfilment of the yearly plan by November 29 or December 31."

Today, workers' brigades with Yugoslav flags were marching through downtown Belgrade under a blazing sun singing partisan songs in demonstration of their solidarity with Marshal Tito.—United Press.

Franco's Meeting With Don Juan

Madrid, Aug. 29.—The Spanish press today told Spaniards for the first time of last Wednesday's meeting at San Sebastian between General Franco and Don Juan, the Pretender to the Spanish Throne.

No paper made any editorial comment. The official communiqué for the foreign press after the meeting had announced the "principal object of the talk was the education of the Prince of Asturias" (Don Juan's eldest son) in Madrid.—Reuter.

BIG INCREASE IN SEX CRIMES

London, Aug. 29.—The number of sex crimes has nearly doubled in Britain since 1938, according to a Home Office report entitled "Crime Statistics for 1946" just published.

There has been a steady increase every year in sex crimes from 5,018 cases in 1938 to 9,329 in 1946. The figures for 1947 are not yet available, but it is considered certain that they will show further considerable increase.—Reuter.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH'S DIAMOND



This rare 54-carat pink rough diamond was presented to Her Royal Highness Princess Elizabeth by Dr. J. T. Williamson of Tanganyika, a Canadian geologist who discovered the large diamond-bearing deposits in Tanganyika in 1941 and is the proprietor of Williamson Diamonds Limited, which now handles diamond production in Tanganyika. This diamond has been cut to achieve the largest possible brilliant cut diamond from the rough, at the works of Messrs. Irfel and Lemer, Clerkenwell Green, London. The cut stone has lost less than one millimetre in diameter. The cutting process took three months' continuous work. A close and frequent inspection is carried out by this craftsman at the "brilliantizing" stage of Princess Elizabeth's unique gift. At this stage the final facets which give the diamond its brilliance are put on the stone.

Mistaken Identity

Why UN Plane Was Shot Down

Stockholm, Aug. 29.—Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations Palestine mediator, today received two preliminary reports on the death of two French officers serving as United Nations observers yesterday morning in a United Nations plane over the Egyptian-held Gaza area of Southern Palestine.

The two Frenchmen, Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph Queru and Captain P. Jeannel were killed when Egyptian Army units fired at their plane.

The reports came from Count Bernadotte's Chief of Staff in Haifa and from representatives in Cairo. Reports indicate that the incident was due to the fact that neither the Egyptians at Gaza nor the Egyptian General Headquarters were asked for clearance beforehand and the plane was mistaken for a Jewish one.

A special United Nations investigation team has now reached Gaza to check the causes of the incident. Several points remained unclear. The plane was painted white and had United Nations markings on it. The incident occurred in broad daylight at 8.45 a.m.

OFFICIAL REGRETS

The Egyptian Government today sent a cable to Count Bernadotte conveying its regrets at the death by Egyptian machine-gun fire of the two French United Nations observers who were flying over Gaza.

The cable also states that the United Nations markings were not visible on the plane which was flying at 3,000 feet and was "mistakenly following the wrong corridor access to Gaza."

"Not only did the Egyptian officers, but two observers, a Belgian and a Frenchman present on the field, mistake the plane for Jewish," concluded the cable which was signed by Colonel Nouk of the Egyptian Ministry of National Defence.

Colonel Nouk's message explained that United Nations observers had not used this type of plane over the Egyptian lines before and when it approached the airfield, the Egyptians fired warning shots. The pilot did not make any change toward the correct corridor. Then bursts of machine-gun fire blazed away at the plane and downed it.—United Press.

Hurricane Stops In Its Tracks

Miami, Florida, Aug. 29.—The Atlantic hurricane, which has been threatening the United States East Coast, came to a full stop 600 miles east of Daytona Beach, Florida, today.

The weather bureau said its threat to the Georgia and Carolina coast had only been delayed, however, and had not diminished.

A bureau spokesman said the future movement of the small but violent storm is uncertain but added it will probably move in a west-northwesterly direction.—Associated Press.

Dutch Housewives Incensed

The Hague, Aug. 29.—Housewives and butchers are incensed by the Ministry of Agriculture's decision to prohibit the sale of pork until the end of 1949. The Ministry states that the decision was taken because Holland's stock of porkers has decreased to 887,000 due to the slaughtering of 1,500,000 pigs in 1947 and 1948.—Reuter.

'Tokyo Rose' Faces Trial



Mrs. Iva To guri D'Aquino, 32, alleged to be the "Tokyo Rose" who broadcast Japanese propaganda during the war, poses in Tokyo with her husband, Philip, 27, shortly after the U.S. Attorney-General ordered her arrest and announced she would be tried in San Francisco on charges of treason.—AP Picture.

BRITAIN'S "FAG" FAMINE

London, Aug. 29.—Got a cigarette chum? That's a question you'll hear very often these days in Britain, where the cigarette and pipe tobacco shortage—the worst since the war—is the chief topic of conversation. A panic has been on the last couple of weeks with most smokers attempting to do a little quiet hoarding on the side and all sorts of weird and wonderful brands finding their way into the tobacconists' shelves.

The authorities say the shortage is "largely artificial" and explain it this way: The dollar shortage has meant a reduction of the manufacturers' stocks and a consequent narrowing of the retailers' "margin" supplies. This, combined with the consumers' desire to keep at least one day's supply ahead, has brought about the shortage.

Sir Alexander Maxwell, the tobacco adviser to the Board of Trade, told a recent press conference that if smokers would cut down consumption by one cigarette each a day, the shortage would practically disappear.

SMUGGLING GROWS But buyers do not seem to be eager to take him up on the suggestion and the shortage has continued unabated at the weekend. It has meant, among other things, an increase in reported cases of attempted tobacco smuggling.

The supplies of this commodity in the Channel Islands and Elre are better than in the United Kingdom and returning tourists are stuffing suitcases with cigarettes, but the customs officials are clamping down, permitting only 100 to a traveller.

The Evening Standard stuck a foot in the hornet's nest last week when it suggested, in an editorial, that during the shortage it would be a nice gesture if women would cut down on smoking. Letters by feminine readers to the editor curled that worthy's hair!

But men liked the idea and a battle of the sexes has raged hotly. "Only one woman in a thousand knows how to smoke," said one male correspondent. "The rest just 'puff' after the style of children blowing bubbles."

Finnish Reds Celebrate

Helsinki, August 29.—The Finnish Communist Party's 30-year jubilee celebrations ended today with a colourful demonstration through the streets of Helsinki.

More than 13,000 people, including veterans of the 1918 civil war, took part in the parade, which was led by Hertta Kuusinen, Leino Minister without portfolio, the Party President Aaro Uusitalo and the Secretary-General Ville Pessi.

The foreign representatives carried their own banners, but Finland's national colour, blue and white, dominated the scene. Speaking before an audience of specially invited guests in the Finnish National Theatre last night, Mrs. Kuusinen Leino declared that Finland's peace policy got a new backbone in the Finnish-Russian friendship pact. The Finnish Communist Party will do its utmost "to prevent Finland from being dragged into a new war for reaction," she said.—Associated Press.

Gaekwar's Promise

Baroda, Aug. 29.—The Maharajah Gaekwar of Baroda's promise of a full responsible government for the State, details of which were announced in New Delhi last week, was published here today as a Gazette Extraordinary.

The Maharajah also undertook last week to appoint a Council of State to function as the ruler during his absence and to refund large sums loaned from the State Treasury. Baroda has acceded to the Indian Union. The Maharajah, who is at present in Bombay, is expected to come to Baroda in two or three days.—Reuter.

Less notorious members of the public meantime are figuring out ways and means to beat the shortage. Here are some of the methods reported:

PLACED ON HONOUR

1.—Customers at a public house in Norwich hung a rack for 16 cigarettes on the bar. If one of the coterie was short, he borrowed one, but he was in honour bound to replace it when he had his new supply.

The pub-keeper said that many returned two cigarettes for one borrowed.

2.—London street urchins were reported to be doing a fair business collecting butts from the gutters and rolling the tobacco into new cigarettes with little hand machines on sale at most tobacconists.

3.—A prominent barrister solved his personal problem neatly. He attended a sale of lost property and managed to buy 3,000 cigarettes which a forgetful traveller had left in a valise on board a train. In the past two weeks, more than 700,000 cigarettes have been stolen in London alone—a day's ration of 20 for 35,000 people—it was disclosed today.

Since January, more than 13 million cigarettes have been stolen. Most of the thefts were from trucks going from warehouses to shops and only in very few cases have the police succeeded in arresting the thieves.

The stolen cigarettes are the main source of supply for the black market, where they fetch as much as 6/- for a packet of 20.—Reuter.

NOT STORING URANIUM

Too Difficult Say U.S. Experts

Washington, Aug. 29.—Uranium, the raw material of atomic bombs, is too difficult to store and none is being stored away in the United States' US\$3,400,000,000 war chest. "This was in a report on 'Operation Squirrel,' as the U.S. Munitions Board's stockpiling of critical war materials is unofficially called.

Uranium, radium and 17 other materials are classed as "posing problems of storage such as outweigh the advantage of stockpiling them."

Because of the "unsettled international conditions," the Board's previous slow, steady buying of 67 items had increased.

Some US\$400,000,000 will be spent or obligated by June 1949 of which US\$212,000,000 will actually be delivered.

In contrast, only US\$87,000,000 worth of materials was delivered in the two years since the stockpiling programme started.

About 25 percent of the overall goal of US\$3,402,997,000 is on hand or "in sight," the Board reported, but hinted that with costs rising, the goal may be raised.

The Board explained, "National security now requires accelerated stockpiling" and though the Board has tried to avoid disturbing civilian recovery by hoarding scarce materials needed in domestic production, security comes first.—Associated Press.

CZECH BISHOPS IN PROTEST

Level Charges Against Govt.

Prague, Aug. 29.—A Catholic Bishops' memorandum to the Czech Government, read in churches throughout the country today, charged that a secret anti-church fight has been started. It called on Government to end the "systematic battle" against the Church.

The letter was read amidst the deadlock between the church and state on the fate of Catholic schools of which the Government has demanded control, church refusal to "endorse" the Communist regime, and the status of priests participating in Government.

The 1,000 word letter asserted: Catholic bishops have been attacked as "enemies of the people." The state has broken its promise to reach an agreement on religious questions.

MUZZLING TACTICS

"A secret anti-church and anti-religious fight has started. This follows the same pattern used against the church and religion in other countries."

"Recent measures... tend towards muzzling public church manifestations and speeches the freedom of which has been guaranteed by constitution."

"Competent state representatives have acted in distrust towards the church by banning almost all Catholic public meetings in Bohemia and Moravia."

"Under the pretext of 'progressiveness' of priests, even our loyal priests are now being ostracized." The memorandum was drafted by the Czechoslovak Episcopate at a meeting called by Joseph Beran, Archbishop of Prague.

DISOBEDIENCE

The memorandum referred to Father Josef Poljar, Minister of Health in the new regime, and two of the priests who have been suspended from church functions for participating in politics without church approval.

"We have already explained that suspension... is not a punishment for political activity or for endorsement of the people's democracy, but a punishment for disobedience," it added.

"We hope that this memorandum will be accepted with the same good will and frankness with which it is submitted and that the Government will see to it that an end is put to the systematic fight against the Catholic Church."—United Press.

Hundred Years Of Weather Reporting

London, Aug. 29.—The first official weather service in Britain started a hundred years ago today and the Air Ministry marked the centenary by re-issuing the forecast that was published in the Daily News on August 31, 1848.

The present meteorological office came into existence in 1855 and has been administered by the Air Ministry since 1910.—Reuter.

DEFIANCE OF UN

Jerusalem, Aug. 29.—Jewish and Arab forces in Jerusalem ignored the three demands by the United Nations authorities today to withdraw from occupied fighting positions. United Nations Observers were fired on in one area.—Reuter.

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